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Yeltsin Moves to Box In Lawmakers

By Margaret Shapiro Washington Post Service MOSCOW — President Boris N. Yeltsin moved aggressively Thursday to quash continued resistance to his decree disbanding the parliament by shutting down its mass-circulation newspaper, taking over its property, voiding diplomatic passports issued to lawmakers and threatening to close down any local councils that did not heed his order for elections to a new legislature.

preme legislature, the Congress of People's Deputies. The Congress voted, 635 to 3, to dismiss Mr. Yeltsin and ordered him to either "surrender to the appropriate authorities or leave the country." A mood of surly anger, directed not only at Mr. Yeltsin but also at Western governments supporting him, pervaded the building. His aides said automatic weapons were being distributed among supporters gathered outside.

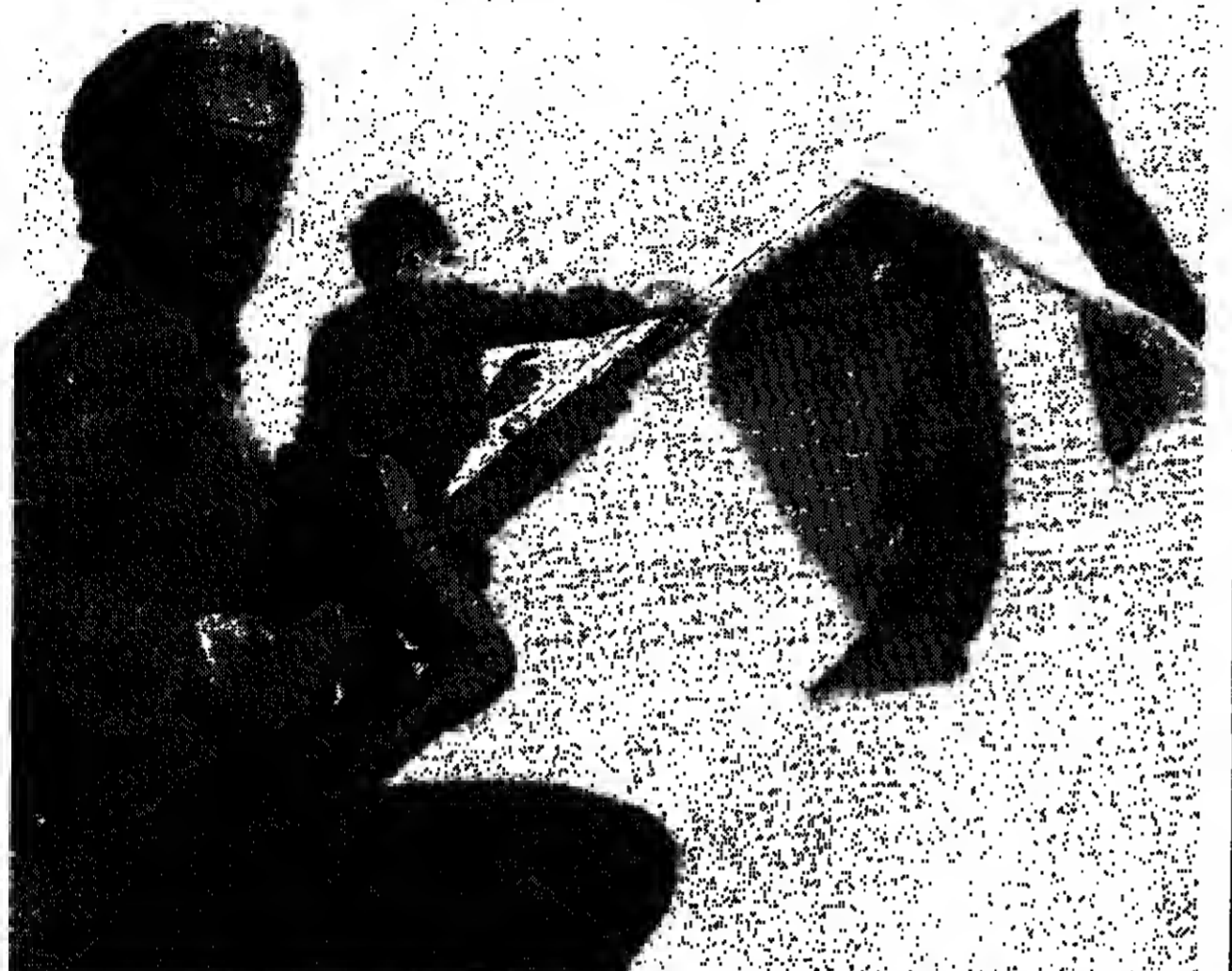
army officers who support the parliament. It said the gunmen hoped to be able to use the sophisticated communications network at the military headquarters. Russia plunged into a crisis Tuesday when Mr. Yeltsin announced that he was dismissing the parliament, which has been a focal point of conservative opposition to his reform policies. The Supreme Soviet, the legislative body that conducts the day-to-day business of government, struck back by voting to impeach him and appointing his vice president, Alexander V. Rutskoi, acting president.

Sydney Beats Out Beijing For the 2000 Olympics

By Ian Thomsen International Herald Tribune MONTE CARLO — Sydney was awarded the 2000 Summer Olympics on Thursday night when a slim majority diverted the International Olympic Committee away from the awesome responsibility of sending the Games to Beijing. Long considered the favorite among the five candidate cities — Sydney, Berlin, Istanbul, Manchester and Beijing — Sydney recently lost momentum as an ambitious IOC bloc rallied behind Beijing. In the new millennium, they envisioned the Olympic movement as a lever for opening the world's largest country, socially and economically. Ultimately their zeal entranced those IOC conservatives unwilling to entrust the Olympic ideal to a government responsible for the 1989 bloody crackdown outside of Tiananmen Square.

Press: "No, it was nothing like that. He had to catch a plane." Sydney's bid was judged technically superior by the IOC, and indeed it was the safest of all the options. Its only negative aspect was Sydney's distance from major population centers, which it answered by promising to finance the round-trip air fares of all Olympic athletes, officials and athletic equipment. "The members preferred Sydney because it was a candidate which presented no problems," said Primo Nebiolo of Italy, who is an IOC member. "It was easier for them to make this decision than to face the prospects of dealing with a big country like China, its population, its problems."

The stifled atmosphere of the 101st IOC session contributed to feelings that the committee would be impervious to world opinion against China's bid. The IOC seemed willing to link itself to Beijing without considering China's record on human rights. Indeed, a resolution by the U.S. House denouncing China's bid on the basis of human rights was criticized by the IOC as political interference and reportedly succeeded in rallying votes for Beijing. Although the German and Turkish bids were also divisive politically, little in the way of public debate was permitted in the streets here. The police told Tibetans that they could not



An anti-Yeltsin protester tying his party flag to a statue recalling the 1905 uprising against the czar Thursday in Moscow.

Turmoil Is Ahead, Even if He Prevails

By Fred Hiatt Washington Post Service MOSCOW — President Boris N. Yeltsin, having ruled out compromise with his conservative opponents in Moscow, may manage to break the political stalemate that has increasingly paralyzed his government in the last two years. But even in the best circumstances, and despite the fond hopes of Western policymakers, no tactical political victory can assure that Russia will follow a consistently pro-Western, reform path over the coming years, analysts say. Russia's economic problems are too deep-seated, its regional tensions too systemic and its spiritual and ideological compass too disoriented to produce anything but turbulence for some time.

cause they are former Communists or because reforms will hurt their personal interests. Under any government, reform will provoke grave opposition, because it is going to be extremely painful for millions of Russians. This does not mean that only pessimism is warranted. Russia's ability to peacefully transform itself has confounded many experts, both here and abroad, since the breakup of the Soviet Union. But even cautious optimism must be founded on a realistic understanding of the immense challenge of recovery from seven decades of totalitarian rule.

On Tuesday, Mr. Yeltsin announced on television that he had finally ruled out compromise with the conservative parliament. He essentially tore up the constitution and unilaterally set elections to a new legislature for Dec. 11 and 12. Parliament responded a few hours later by stripping Mr. Yeltsin of his powers and installing Vice President Alexander V. Rutskoi as acting president. Now, the chairman of the parliament, Ruslan I. Khasbulatov, says that Mr. Yeltsin is a mere private citizen; Mr. Yeltsin says that parliament does not exist. The 62-year-old president, rid of a Soviet-era parliament that automatically seeks to obstruct his every act, might be able to conduct a more coherent policy of economic reform and gradual disarmament. His government would enjoy new legitimacy, ending an era in which parliament passed laws, Mr.

2000 Olympics Sydney 2000 Sydney's facilities are well under way. Fireworks over the harbor started the festivities. Page 19



Australian delegation members rejoicing Thursday in Monaco after the announcement.

Clinton on Health: 'Most Urgent Priority'

Paul F. Horvitz International Herald Tribune WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton launched the most important campaign of his presidency Thursday, seeking to rally the country behind a sweeping plan to guarantee health insurance to all Americans and control sharply rising costs. Mr. Clinton and the leading officials of his administration fanned out to television studios and hospitals across the country to persuade a hopeful but wary public that, with few new taxes, it can have the kind of universal health protection that other industrialized nations have enjoyed for decades. Not since national retirement benefits were guaranteed under Social Security more than half a century ago has a U.S. president presented such an ambitious social welfare reform package.

of Americans in favor of the plan and a more substantial majority willing to make sacrifices to see it work. Mr. Clinton's speech also launched what promises to be a titanic economic battle in Washington among lobbyists for insurance companies, doctors, laboratories, hospitals, drug companies, and every other element of a health care industry that gobbles up more of the U.S. economy than in any other wealthy nation. Keenly aware of this, the president warned Americans to beware of "scarce tactics." Mr. Clinton announced that he would tax tobacco products and any big corporation that opts to remain outside the new national plan. There have been hints that alcohol will also be taxed. But no figures were given, and critics demanded details. On Thursday, Mr. Clinton was host at a rally of supporters at the White House before flying to Florida for a televised "town hall" meeting on health reform.

ton, and urged quick negotiations. Bob Dole of Kansas, leader of the minority Republicans in the Senate, called the plan "a little overgenerous and underfunded." Despite the political hurdles, the White House is counting on the power of a growing national consensus behind health reform to push Congress toward enactment of legislation in mid- to late-1994. Already, Mr. Clinton has achieved accord on something one of his predecessors had achieved: Republican agreement that all Americans, rich and poor, have a right See CLINTON, Page 3

Clinton's Health Card To win enactment of his plan, Clinton must keep the focus on big issues. For consumers, the plan would create a surprisingly simple world. Congress reacted with unusual support. The hard part comes later. Everyone knew what the president meant by his "talented navigator." Page 3

South Africa Ratifies Power-Sharing Pact

By Bill Keller New York Times Service JOHANNESBURG — After a rollicking debate in which white separatists denounced President Frederick W. de Klerk's chief negotiator as a "despicable traitor" to his race, the South African Parliament on Thursday bowed to the inevitable and approved a law giving blacks their first official say in the running of the country. The legislation authorizes creation of a Transitional Executive Council, including one representative each from all the major political parties and jurisdictions, to oversee Mr. de Klerk's government in the months leading up to the first universal election in April.

Klerk's National Party, and functions these days as a glamorized public notary, rubber-stamping decisions taken in the multiparty forum. The bill was approved, 107 to 36, in the white House of Assembly, with no defections from Mr. de Klerk's party. It cleared the separate, largely powerless houses for Indians and mixed-race legislators without dissent. Blacks have no representation in Parliament. Members of the white separatist Conservative Party seized the occasion for a frenzied lament of apartheid's demise. During four days of debate, the Conservatives howled in dismay at the presence of the Communist Party in the transitional authority, warned of civil war, and greeted Roelf Meyer, the chief government negotiator, with shouts of "Traitor!"

the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party. Inkatha has so far refused to accept the planned election date of April 27 or to say whether it will take a seat on the transitional authority. Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the Inkatha leader, has demanded negotiators first agree to entrench the powers of KwaZulu, the Zulu homeland he runs, before elections. The government and the African National Congress have refused, saying Mr. Buthelezi is trying to protect his power. When it comes into existence, possibly by the end of October, the transitional council will be entitled, with agreement of 75 or 80 percent of the participants, to override almost any government decision it decides could effect the fairness of the elections. It is to supervise the conduct of the elections and to organize a new peacekeeping force drawn from the existing police and guerrilla armies of anti-apartheid organizations. The white-controlled Parliament is scheduled to meet once more, in November, to adopt an interim constitution still being written by negotiators. With that act, it will effectively have voted itself out of business.

Firefight Follows an Attack by IRA

BELFAST (Reuters) — British soldiers fought a fierce gun battle with three IRA gunmen who tried to shoot down an army helicopter at a military base in Northern Ireland on Thursday, security sources and witnesses said. The helicopter came under machine-gun fire as it was taking off from the base near the border with the Irish Republic. The crew escaped unhurt and there were no casualties in the ensuing shooting. The IRA gunmen escaped by car. General News Israel's parliament approved the peace accord with the PLO by 61 to 50. Page 2. Leisure A former GI returns to Vietnam's tunnels of war and seedy beaches. Page 10. Business/Finance GPA canceled \$7.7 billion of aircraft orders as part of an accord with creditors. Page 13. Visacon sued QVC Network and its allies to stop their rival bid for Paramount. Page 13. South Korea plans to expand its budget by 14 percent to bolster its economy. Page 17.

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U.S. Proposes A Novel Deal To Japanese

By David E. Sanger New York Times Service TOKYO — In a novel initiative to correct the imbalance in its technological trade with Japan, the Clinton administration has proposed to aid Tokyo in building a missile defense system in exchange for access to advanced commercial technologies that could help American industry. The unusual proposal, described by Japanese officials here by a senior Pentagon official, appears to represent the first time that the United States has offered to trade the fruits of its military research and development projects for technology that would be used primarily in nonmilitary fields. "This is part of a larger initiative," said the official, John M. Deutch, who is undersecretary of defense for acquisition and technology. "One of the dangers for our national security is from economic weakness. We are actively looking for ways to use defense to encourage dual-use technology that serves military and civilian purposes." For years the Defense Department has been criticized for transferring vast amounts of know-how to Japan — particularly in the building of aircraft, ships and other military technology that Japan produces under license — and receiving very little in return. But it was unclear how the Japanese government would react to Mr. Deutch's proposal, which he called "new and adventuresome," and which he said would take some "patience" to negotiate. The immediate issue for the Japanese is the building of a missile-defense system able to detect and intercept a new generation of missiles being constructed by North Korea. The North tested its own missile, the Rodong-1, this summer, and the Pentagon has done little to

Honecker, 81 and Ill, Quietly Lives Out a Secluded Life in Chile

By Nathaniel C. Nash New York Times Service SANTIAGO — He used to take walks in the quiet mornings through his tree-lined Santiago neighborhood, but in June they stopped, friends say, because of the Southern Hemisphere's winter. When he arrived in January, there was immense press attention, but his only public statement was on arrival at the airport, and reporters no longer congregated outside the high-walled condominium compound where he lives. Erich Honecker, the former Communist strongman who ruled East Germany for more than 20 years and ordered the death of those trying to escape to the West, is living out his

days in Chile. Now 81 and with liver cancer, he could live a few months or even a few years, doctors say. Friends say that on getting up in the morning he works on his memoirs. He draws a pension of almost \$500 a month, from the 14 years he worked as a roofer in Saarbrücken before being arrested by the Nazis. But though he stays out of the public's attention, Mr. Honecker has nonetheless become a symbol of the contradictions and complexities in this society as it struggles to come to grips with the socialist experiment under President Salvador Allende and the 17 years of military dictatorship under General Augusto Pinochet that ended when the country returned to civilian government in March 1990.

Socialist and Communist Chileans, many of them given asylum by Mr. Honecker in the Pinochet era, have to reconcile opposition to a rightist dictator with their support for a leftist dictator who brutally oppressed his opponents. For supporters of General Pinochet who are still troubled by the legacy of the years when more than 2,000 leftists were killed or made to "disappear," Mr. Honecker's presence in Chile is a kind of salve for their conscience. "When the left cries about Pinochet," said Domingo Arriagada, secretary-general of the rightist Independent Democratic Union, "he says: 'You're the ones who have a dictator here. Pinochet stepped down from power after being defeated in an election. He willingly ceded power at the request of the people. Honecker

was ousted from power. He'd still be there today if he could.' Others are more conciliatory. "Honecker represents an attempt to deal peacefully with the past, accepting an old man who for many was a protector and for others was a tyrant, and saying the past is over, let him die in peace," said Genaro Arriagada, secretary-general of the Christian Democratic Party. "We know from our experience in Chile, there is no real justice in cases like this. There is revenge, but that is not what people really want." After the fall of his government in 1989, Mr. Honecker fled to Moscow under the protection of Mikhail S. Gorbachev, then the Soviet leader. When a German court requested his extradition

tion Mr. Honecker fled to the Chilean Embassy. Two reasons for choosing Chile were that his daughter is married to a Chilean Communist, and he protected more than 4,000 Chilean leftists in the 1970s. It was a touchy diplomatic maneuver for President Patricio Aylwin, because his government coalition includes the Socialist Party. But the government eventually gave in to German pressure, and Mr. Honecker was returned to Berlin to face trial. In January the charges against him were dismissed because of age and illness. "Asylum was not an issue because Honecker See EXILE, Page 6

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# Knesset Approves Accord With PLO

## 61-50 Vote Will Help Rabin Resist Calls for New Elections

By David Hoffman  
*Washington Post Service*  
JERUSALEM — The Israeli parliament on Thursday voted to approve the landmark accord with the Palestine Liberation Organization that will begin to phase out the 26-year military occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and transfer control for government to the Palestinians.

The vote was 61 to 50, with 8 members abstaining and one absent. The margin in the 120-member parliament was a solid victory for Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, and it suggests he can now avoid demands for a national referendum or new elections.

But the vote was another setback for the main opposition party, Likud. Although its leader, Benjamin Netanyahu, had attempted to impose party discipline on its members, three of them defied him and abstained rather than vote against the accord.

### Israeli Troops Oust Settlers In West Bank

BEIT EL, Israeli-occupied West Bank — Israeli troops on Thursday dragged away nationalist Jews who were trying to start a settlement in the West Bank to protest the peace accord with the Palestine Liberation Organization.



Foreign Minister Shimon Peres at the close of the debate in the Knesset on Thursday. He declared that "the era of conflict is over."

# Disarm Serbs or Leave, Croatia Tells UN

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*  
ZAGREB, Croatia — Croatia told the United Nations on Thursday to set a deadline for disarming Serbian rebels holding a third of the republic or withdraw peacekeeping forces here by Nov. 30.

United Nations troops were deployed in Croatia to enforce a cease-fire in 1992 after Serbs seized one-third of the country and proclaimed it the Republic of Serb Krajina during Zagreb's war of independence from federal Yugoslavia in 1991.

# U.S. Insists on Clear Mission For Any Contingent With UN

*The Associated Press*  
WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton's ambassador to the United Nations set out new conditions Thursday for using U.S. troops in UN peacekeeping operations, saying Americans could never be sent into harm's way without a clear mission.

# Joint Chiefs Nominee Supports Deployment

*By Eric Schmitt*  
*New York Times Service*  
WASHINGTON — General John M. Shalikshvili, President Bill Clinton's choice to be the top officer of the armed forces, has given strong support for sending 25,000 American troops to Bosnia-Herzegovina to help enforce any peace settlement reached there, but he said the overall operation would cost \$4 billion in the first year alone.

# North Korea Agrees to Nuclear Talks

VIENNA (AP) — North Korea says it is willing to resume talks on opening its nuclear sites to international inspections, but shows no signs of allowing full inspections anytime soon, a United Nations official said Thursday.

# Barge Apparently Hit Trestle Before Train Crash

*The Associated Press*  
SARALAND, Alabama — Investigators believe that a barge lost in the fog struck and weakened a railroad trestle shortly before an Amtrak train hurtled off the bridge into a murky bayou. At least 44 people were killed.

# Jean-René Guerrand Dies, Hermès Group Executive

*New York Times Service*  
PARIS — Jean-René Guerrand, 89, patriarch of the family that owns the Paris-based Hermès Group, died at his country home near Le Havre on Friday.

# German Coal Miners Tie Up Traffic

GELSENKIRCHEN, Germany (Reuters) — Thousands of German coal miners paralyzed traffic at the center of the country's industrial heartland as they continued protests on Thursday against a new plan for widespread job cuts.

# WORLD BRIEFS

### Strafing of Liberian Refugees Kills 5

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Two aircraft strafed and bombed starving refugees lining up for rice on Thursday at a food distribution center in the jungle, a UN official said.

### Pope to Restate Contraception Stance

LONDON (Reuters) — Pope John Paul II will renew his strict stance on birth control in his next encyclical, calling it "intrinsically evil," The Times of London reported Thursday.

### Storms Kill 4 and Ravage Provence

MARSEILLE (Reuters) — Four people died, hundreds of cars were washed away and roads and rail lines were cut as rainstorms ravaged southeast France overnight, emergency services reported Thursday.

### Sihanouk Goes Home to Be Crowned

PHNOM PENH (AP) — Prince Norodom Sihanouk returned to Cambodia on Thursday to ratify the country's new constitution and ascend the throne, hoping to bring peace to a country wracked by decades of war and unrest.

### For the Record

Anatoli Karpov and Jan Timman agreed to a draw Thursday on the 11th move of the 11th game of the International Chess Federation world championship in Zwolle, Netherlands. Mr. Karpov is ahead in the match, 6½ to 4½.

### TRAVEL UPDATE

A strike by three employees who arrange group visits to the Musée d'Orsay in Paris threatens to restrict the number of visitors to an exhibition of the celebrated Barnes collection of Impressionist paintings from the United States.

### Away From Politics

The Department of Energy set off the largest nonnuclear explosion ever — 1,450 tons of conventional high explosives — to determine if there are significant differences in the seismic signals generated by nuclear and nonnuclear explosives with the same energy and in the same geologic setting.

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### Jean-René Guerrand Dies, Hermès Group Executive

Maurice Abravanel, Headed Utah Symphony Orchestra  
SALT LAKE CITY (NYT) — Maurice Abravanel, 90, a conductor who led a long, colorful international career and headed the Utah Symphony Orchestra for more than three decades, died here Tuesday.

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Those who knew and loved him are asked to join his family in prayer and keep in their thoughts Glenn Souhamn, whose Masses will be held in Paris, Lausanne, New York, N.Y. and Washington D.C. on September 25th, 1993.



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A Somali tearing apart an American flag during a demonstration Thursday in the capital, Mogadishu.

### UN Sets 1995 Cutoff for Somali Mission

By Paul Lewis  
New York Times Service  
UNITED NATIONS, New York — The Security Council has voted to set March 1995 as the date for ending United Nations peacekeeping in Somalia and handing over responsibility for the country to an elected government.

Apparently in a reference to General Aidid, the warlord who is accused of being behind killings of peacekeepers, the resolution "reaffirms that those who have committed or ordered the commission of such criminal acts will be held individually responsible for them."

quarries in Mogadishu, The Associated Press reported Thursday. The victim, identified as Jean-Louis Melin of France 2 television, was shot in the back while he was in a car near the Mogadishu airport, said a UN spokesman, Captain Tim McDevitt.

### U.S. Will Urge New Nuclear Controls

By R. Jeffrey Smith  
Washington Post Service  
WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration plans to propose a series of new controls on the world's supply of fissile materials to discourage the spread of nuclear weapons, according to U.S. officials.

said may be announced by Mr. Clinton in a speech at the United Nations next week, are intended to halt expansion of the nuclear arsenal now held by the United States, Russia, France, China, Britain, Israel, India and Pakistan. They would also help safeguard nuclear materials around the globe so that terrorists or developing countries could not obtain the essential ingredients of a nuclear bomb, officials said.

China agreed in 1992 to adhere to the Missile Technology Control Regime, even though it did not join it. China threatened in August to withdraw its commitment after the United States accused Beijing of exporting missiles to Pakistan.

### Beijing Suggests Joining Accord

BEIJING — Foreign Minister Qian Qichen said Thursday that China might formally join an international arms control agreement related to a missile-sales dispute with the United States.

### China Says UN Rebuff To Taiwan Settles Issue

BEIJING — China expressed satisfaction Thursday at the UN's rejection of Taiwan's attempt to gain membership in the United Nations, saying the island's hopes were "abundant and futile."

### ASIAN TOPICS

#### Singapore English Keeps Marching On

Singlish, the Singapore patois, has been banned from commercials on the state-owned radio and TV channels, The Associated Press reports. This is not the first official attempt to bar Singapore's distinctive English, which has elements of the four official languages of the island republic — English, Mandarin, Malay and Tamil.

are "I go there already" and "he never come just now." Singlish is spoken at all levels of society, from street corner to executive suite. Kirpal Singh, who writes poems and short stories in Singlish, likens it to American English, Australian English and Caribbean English.

More of Hong Kong's small change will lose Queen Elizabeth II's portrait next month as the crown colony prepares for Chinese rule in 1997. The government announced that the queen's crowned profile will be replaced by the banyan, Hong Kong's official flower, on 1-dollar (\$1.3) 50-cent and 20-cent coins to be put into circulation Oct. 11.

A Bangkok policeman has taken to break-dancing on the job to try to cheer up motorists driven to despair by the city's horrendous traffic. Whenever traffic grinds to a halt for minutes at a time, he goes into his routine. "I know many motorists must wonder what I am doing when they see me jumping around," Corporal Somchai told the Nation newspaper during a break in his six-hour shift directing traffic amid the capital's noise, heat and pollution.

A restaurant named after Mao Zedong has been ordered by the central Chinese city of Nanjing to change its name on grounds that the revolutionary leader's memory should not be commercialized. A Shanghai newspaper, Wen Hui Bao, said the dining room was dominated by a life-size statue of Mao and by banners carrying Mao-voiced slogans such as "The East is Red." The waiters wore Mao badges. China is getting ready to observe the centenary of Mao's birth on Dec. 26. He died in 1976.

### Nicaraguan Strike Rages On

MANAGUA — Hundreds of bonfires blazed throughout the Nicaraguan capital early Thursday as a nationwide strike that some fear is a prelude to a revolt entered its fourth day.

At least two people have died in the strike, which began when about 30,000 bus, truck and taxi drivers went off their jobs to protest a new vehicle tax. The government suspended the tax on Tuesday, but the strike has continued as long-suffering Nicaraguans vent their frustration with the staggering economy.

Barricades also blocked major roads and highways throughout the rest of the country. Bus service, Nicaragua's principal form of transportation, stopped. Schools, shops, businesses and most government offices were closed.

### TECHNOLOGY: Novel Kind of Swap With Japan

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alloy Japan's fears about the potential of the North Korean missile project.

research, over the next five years, on a "theater missile defense" program that would protect against regional threats around the world, similar to the one posed by North Korea. Such a program has become the much-scaled down successor to the Strategic Defense Initiative.

established, you would have U.S. firms working with Japanese firms," he said, citing several examples of technologies that might be imported from Japan for use in either military or commercial areas.

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# Bonn Weighs In With \$5 Billion Debt Relief Tied to Russian Reform

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**BONN** — Germany agreed Thursday to reschedule 8 billion Deutsche marks (\$5 billion) of Russian debt as a gesture of support for President Boris N. Yeltsin's economic policies.

Russia, was closely linked to the continuation of economic reform. "As far as we can judge from here, the issues in Moscow and in Russia is whether the reform process will be energetically pursued or not," he said.

■ **U.S. to Accelerate Aid**  
*Thomas L. Friedman of The New York Times reported from Washington:*  
Senior Clinton administration officials and top American lawmakers have agreed that the \$2.5 billion American aid package for Russia now being considered by Congress should move ahead quickly as a tangible sign of support for President Boris N. Yeltsin.

Yeltsin will prevail, coupled with an attitude that this sort of power struggle is probably going to be a feature of political life in Russia for years to come.

■ **Ruble Continues Plunge**  
The ruble plunged to a record low of 1,299 per dollar Thursday, and dealers said further falls were likely, Reuters reported from Moscow.

# Spy of Spies Expects Treason Conviction

By Craig R. Whitney  
**DUSSELDORF** — Markus Wolf, the former head of East Germany's spy service, says he expects his trial to end in December with a conviction on charges of bribery and treason.

# EXILE: Honecker in Chile

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was not politically persecuted," said Roland Kleisow, minister counselor of the German Embassy here. "He was to stand trial before a court of law. For Chile to have given him asylum would have been a reproach to our system of justice."

# Yeltsin's Foes And Allies

**Alexander V. Rutskoi**  
Yeltsin's former ally and vice president, has accused administration of corruption and been accused of corruption in return. Age 45. Afghan war hero. Has opposed Yeltsin's defense outside.

**Viktor S. Chernomyrdin**  
Replaced Yegor T. Gaidar as prime minister in December, with the support of conservatives opposed to economic reform. Formerly served in the state energy sector. 55 years old. On Thursday endorsed Yeltsin's call for new elections.

# Cellist Sings Yeltsin's Praise

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**MOSCOW** — Mstislav Rostropovich always had impeccable timing.

# RUSSIA: Yeltsin Cracks Down on Defiant Parliament and Calls Presidential Vote for June

Continued from Page 1  
Mr. Yeltsin's defense minister, General Pavel S. Grachev, also warned that if the confrontation worsened and people's lives were at risk, the armed forces would step in.

responsible and will be punished." For the first time, however, Mr. Khasbulatov recognized the possibility of defeat, blaming in part Mr. Yeltsin's "censorship" and control of television and radio.

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**MOSCOW: Turbulence Ahead, Even if Yeltsin Wins**  
Continued from Page 1  
Yeltsin issued decrees and much of Russia paid attention to neither.

# Fallout Of War in Georgia

MOSCOW — As the battle between Georgian forces and Abkhazian rebels for control of Sukhumi moves into its second week, one of its victims has been Russia's reputation as a neutral and credible peacekeeper on the territory of the former Soviet Union.

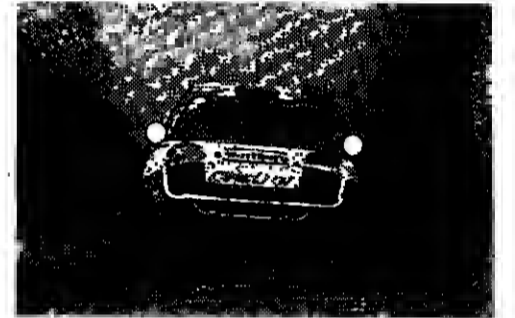
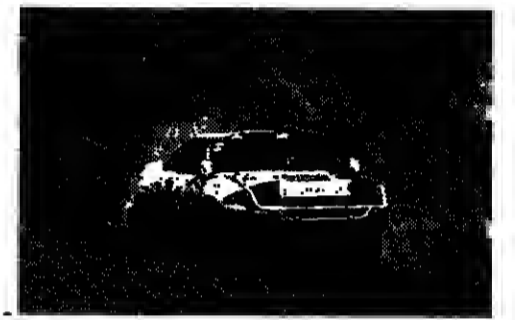
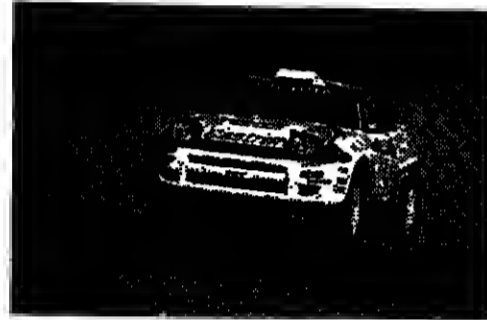
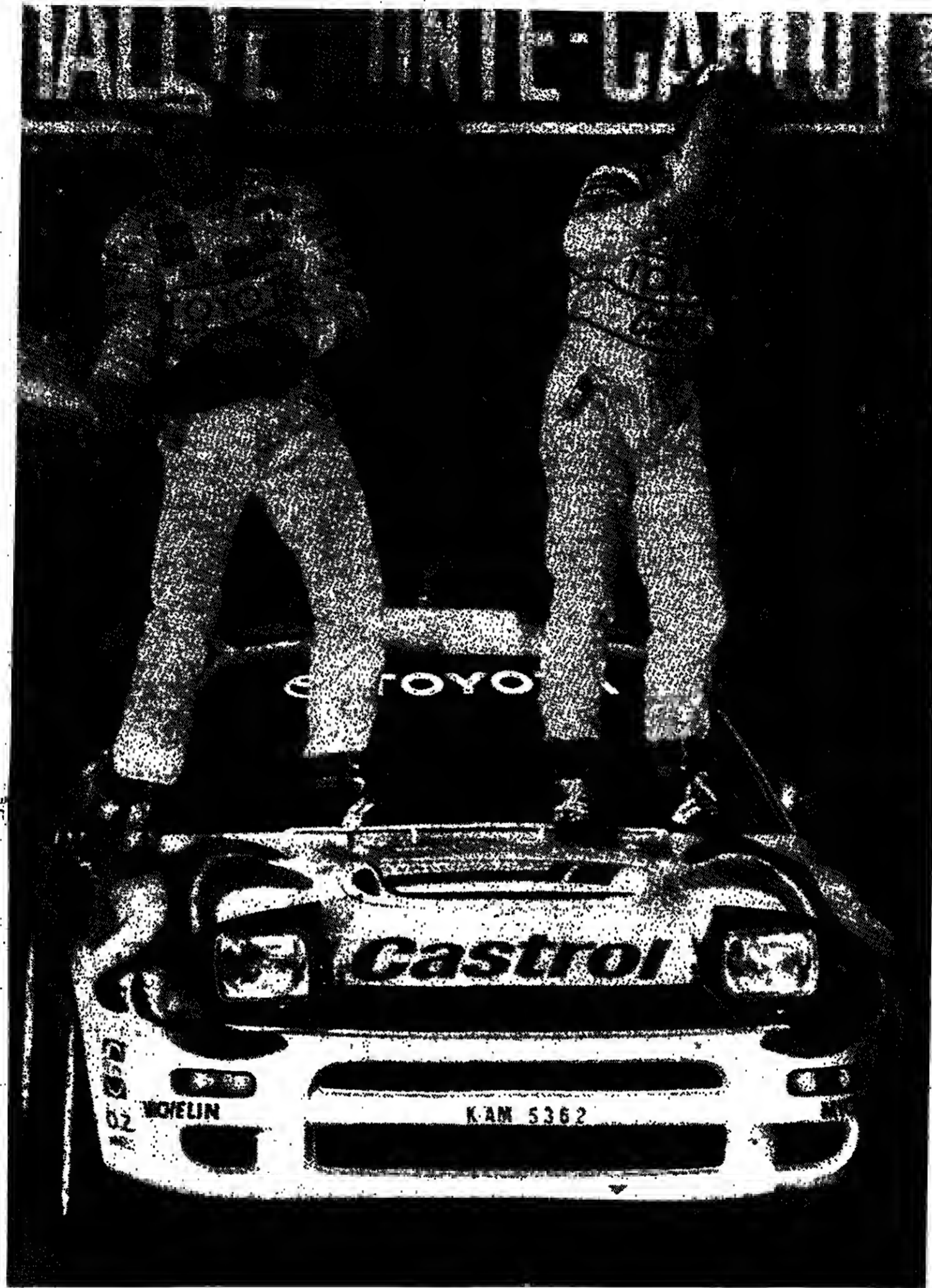
Writing in the newspaper Izvestia, Otto R. Latusis, a respected political commentator, noted that the Abkhazians were unlikely to have violated the cease-fire on their own.


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Moreover, Russia's economic weakness means that its restive regions, can expect less and less help from Moscow. That, in turn, means that regions rich in natural resources will increasingly push to go their own way.

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Sydney Will Do Just Fine

If it had been possible to award the Summer Olympics of 2000 to the people of Beijing, that city would have been the right choice. The International Olympic Committee would have been sending a message from the non-Chinese majority of the world that the Chinese are a respected people. Maybe — who knows? — lives in Beijing and beyond would have improved as the Olympic spotlight approached.

Hurrying Along After Yeltsin, Watchfully

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — Bill Clinton had no choice but to embrace Boris Yeltsin's coup in Moscow vigorously and swiftly. But having his hand forced this way should persuade him to work on creating more maneuvering room for America in the tangled Russian political thicket and a better political early warning system.

Economics Won't Be Enough

By Jerome M. Segal

WASHINGTON — When moral consensus is not possible, recognition of the moral integrity of the other can substitute. Parties can re-cope in an awareness that each has a point of view through which it is possible for decent people to see and understand the world.

America's apparent knee-jerk support is in fact high politics, driven by a strategic imperative to help hold the Russian state together.

bling again when Mr. Yeltsin gave the United States an hour's warning on Tuesday that he was about to dissolve the obstructionist Russian parliament even though he has no constitutional authority to take that step.

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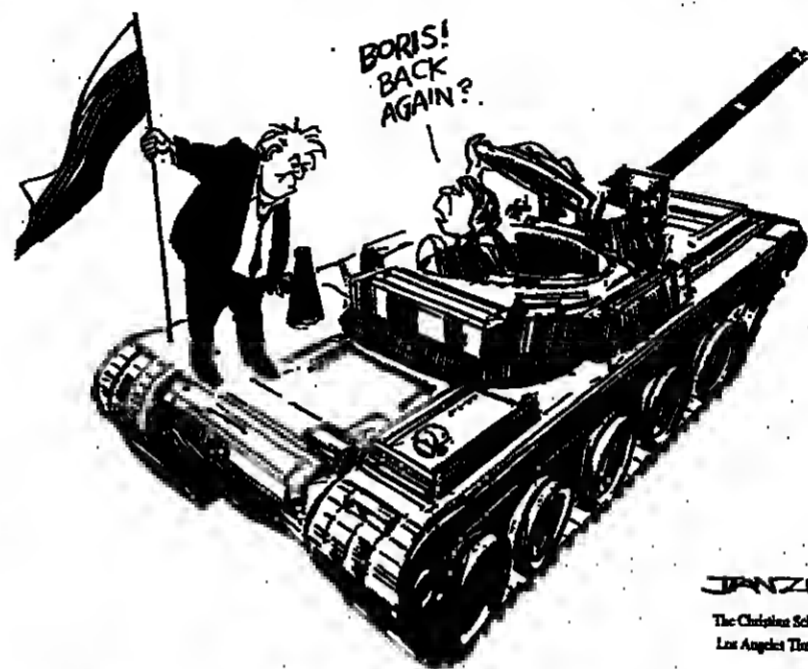
Washington Bets on Boris

Might Boris Yeltsin have avoided the current crisis if he had used his earlier successes — defeat of the 1991 coup, last April's referendum — to move against his enemies? His tendency to govern by mood swings, sometimes engaging fully, sometimes not, seems no less responsible for the frustrations of Russian reform than the parliamentary resistance.

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Poles Look for Security

The numbers say that Poland's version of shock therapy — leaping from a command economy to capitalism overnight — is working. The economy is growing by 5 percent a year while other economies in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union are shrinking.

A Phony Farm War, With 'Cultural' Skirmishing

By William Pfaff

PARIS — Edouard Balladur has unassailably succeeded in the first act of his risky campaign against the Blair House "pre-agreement" on farm trade issues. But the French prime minister's success in convincing the European Community to raise French agricultural concerns again in Washington will do him no political good unless concessions are extracted.

Other Comment

France Appears Its Farmers

The [GATT] affair illustrates the appalling volatility of Europe today. Germany faces elections next year, and farmers in Bavaria in particular threaten a swing to the radical right. So Chancellor Helmut Kohl tries to prop up protectionism.

Are French thought and art really threatened by the likes of Mickey Mouse and Steven Spielberg?

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OPINION

The Logic of a U.S. Strategy of Enlargement

By Anthony Lake

The writer is national security adviser to President Bill Clinton.

WASHINGTON — Our nation's policies toward the world are at a crossroads. For half a century, America's engagement in the world revolved around the containment of a hostile Soviet Union.

As Bill Clinton sought the presidency, he not only pledged a domestic renaissance but vowed to engage actively in the world in order to increase our prosperity and promote our security arrangements and promote democracy abroad.

Stating our purpose is neither academic nor rhetorical. What we do outside our borders has immediate and lasting consequences for all Americans.

Democracy and market economics are ascendant, but they are not everywhere triumphant. There remain vast areas where democracy and market economics are, at best, new arrivals.

Yet none of these threats holds the same immediate dangers for us as did Nazi conquest or Soviet expansionism. America's challenge is to lead on the basis of opportunity more than fear.

As we fought aggressors and contained communism, our engagement abroad was animated both by calculations of power and by the belief that to the extent democracy and markets hold sway in other nations, our own nation will be more secure, more prosperous and more influential.

reach. The successor to a doctrine of containment must be a strategy of enlargement, the enlargement of the world's free community of market democracies.

Today our relations with Europe and Canada and Japan are basically sound, but they suffer from an economic problem and from a military problem.

And Let the Rest Kill Themselves Off?

By Richard Reeves

NEW YORK — In "The Real World Order: Zones of Peace, Zones of Turmoil," Max Singer and Aaron Wildavsky set out a provocative argument that one might like to reject out of hand, but I cannot.

The third element of our strategy of enlargement should be to minimize the ability of states outside the circle of democracy and markets to threaten it.

The authors say their work is optimistic, reasoning that the peaceful countries are finally beyond war among themselves and that some or many of the countries in turmoil will inevitably move toward democracy and prosperity after decades of slaughter and famine.

Our policies toward the Islamic world provide another example. Let me emphasize this point: Our nation respects the many contributions that Islam has made to the world.

This is their advice for Bill Clinton on reinventing U.S. foreign policy: "In the current world order there is no good basis for a long-term political or strategic policy for the United States in the zones of turmoil..."

Today, some suggest that multilateralism should be our presumptive mode of engagement. Others suggest that it must not, that it is inherently flawed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Demythologizing Peace

Regarding "Beyond Rivers of Blood and an Abyss of Suffering" (Opinion, Sept. 6):

Amos Oz and his welcome endorsement of the agreement between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization proves at the same time why we had to wait so long for this breakthrough.

Let us hope that the new relationship between the two peoples will end mutual misperceptions and insensitive self-righteousness.

JOHN BUNZL, Vienna.

Transcending the Military

Regarding "An Enormous Risk for Israel" (Opinion, Sept. 9):

Depicting the Palestinians as "the weakest of all parties to Arab-Israeli conflict" is probably accurate, militarily speaking.

peace prospects would look far better. The significance of this agreement lies in its historic value; implacable enemies shaking hands is something the world can use.

J. J. CARPENTER, Corsier, Switzerland.

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## THE MOVIE GUIDE



Arquette and Slater in "True Romance"; Fiona Shaw with upper hand on Kathleen Turner in "Undercover Blues."

**The Rainbow Bridge**  
Directed by Zenzō Matsuyama, Japan.  
The little people of Kyoto apparently led dreadful lives during the old days but they learned to put up with a lot and stayed decent. At least this is what they do in this costume about the folks under the samurai. A young girl is sent to the brothel, her right-thinking brother kills her father for the deed; a boy loses his childhood sweetheart when the *warlord* master of the big house makes clear his intentions. Yet, despite the buckets of tears there are also wondrous smiles and the large, young cast cries and grins with abandon. It is also encouraged to grossly overact, no longer knows how to wear kimonos and betrays with every gesture a youth mispent before the tube. Perhaps it is no longer possible in Japan to make historical pictures such as this. The sets now look like old-Edo theme-parks, and the young forms and faces are no longer

nourished by *gohan* and *misoshiru* but by Coke and Big Mac. Nonetheless director Matsuyama, pupil of Keisuke Kinoshita and thus heir to such sentiment-filled melodrama, works with dedication and energy and the results will certainly receive the Ministry of Education's endorsement.  
(Donald Richie, IHT)

**True Romance**  
Directed by Tony Scott, U.S.  
"True Romance" is a vibrant, gritty, gleefully amoral road movie directed by Tony Scott and dominated by the machismo of Quentin Tarantino (who wrote this screenplay before he directed "Reservoir Dogs"), is sure to offend a good-sized segment of the moviegoing population. But those viewers are the ones who would never go to see a film starring Christian Slater in the first place, and who have no taste for the malevolently funny bad-boy posturing that is the very essence of "True Ro-

mance." Its title notwithstanding, this film is about tough guys. Practically every dyed-in-the-wool contemporary heavy is on hand, each of them thoroughly enjoying Tarantino's arch, colorful dialogue and the ripe opportunities it provides. The story also has a heroine, a jiggly, bird-brained call girl named Alabama Whitman. Though played with surprising sweetness by Patricia Arquette, Alabama will do nothing to melt the hearts of those who *dislike* the film like she does on principle. Compared with other recent works of sadism-laced marginalia ("Kalfornia" and "Hard Target" come to mind), "True Romance" has a lot more consistency and a much surer sense of dark humor. "True Romance" has occasional moments of very ugly violence, which it savors just as much as it enjoys wickedly tongue-in-cheek wisecracks and reveries.  
(Janet Maslin, NYT)

surprise, a comic update of Cold War espionage movies that, because of the New Orleans location, has the enhanced charm of a stolen holiday. It stars Kathleen Turner and Dennis Quaid, playing extremely well together, as Jane and Jeff Blue, who recall Nora and Nick Charles without making you wince. Jane and Jeff are wise-cracking, loving, incredibly adept American spies on maternity leave in New Orleans with their baby daughter in constant tow. Exactly what agency might be employing Jane and Jeff is never clear, though they have apparently worked for both the CIA and the FBI. When first met, they have just arrived in New Orleans to get away from it. All Jeff immediately makes a lifetime enemy of Muerte (Stanley Tucci), a vicious but hilariously incompetent mugger he calls Morry. The next day they are enlisted to track down an international super-criminal named Novack (Fiona Shaw), who was once the head of the secret police in Communist Czechoslovakia. The woman has apparently stolen a half-dozen containers of a new plastic explosive so dangerous that even the U.S. Army won't use it. It's beyond analyzing how Jane, Jeff, Muerte and Novack all happen to come together for the frenetic climax in a Louisiana salt mine. Somehow they do. The movie has enough style to make you overlook reason and the occasionally erratic continuity.  
(Vincent Canby, NYT)

## A Return Trip to Vietnam

The writer served as a U.S. soldier in Vietnam in 1970-71.  
By Andrew Ranard

**C**U CHI, Vietnam — An hour's drive from Ho Chi Minh City, you can visit one of the most remarkable engineering feats of any war, the remnants of the Cu Chi tunnels, a 250-kilometer network.  
The U.S. helicopter on display in the jungle near the tunnels has "Charlie Don't Surf" scribbled in the grime on its cockpit glass. "Charlie" was the American soldiers' nickname for the Vietcong, so it was not clear if this had been left by a soldier decades ago, a returning American veteran or a caretaker.  
On a patio, a video in English began. The music was uplifting when it accompanied footage of the guerrillas building the tunnels, and ominous and discordant when the B-52s dropped bombs. "Fire rained on our homeland day and night," it said. "Cu Chi, the land of iron and steel, became the brave symbol of the undaunted courage of the guerrillas."  
A guide took me through the tunnels. "All this area was rubber trees and forest before the American forces destroyed it in 1968," he began, stopping at a shelter that had been built for visitors over an open tunnel entrance. We descended for the first of five or six times. The tunnels were different than described in "The Tunnels of Cu Chi," Tom Mangold and John Pezear's account of the underground war — harrowing descriptions of the "tunnel rats," soldiers whose job it was to crawl through the tunnels to flush out the Vietcong.  
The tunnels have been enlarged for tourists and are about a meter high. If you stooped to half your height, you could crawl through them. The guide led with a flashlight. The first tunnel was four or five meters long, then emptied into a chamber where you could stand. The terror of living in these tunnels, or entering them on a search and destroy mission, was palpable. Up on the surface again, the guide pointed out a wooden camouflaged trapdoor entrance to the tunnels under a pile of leaves. This was the way the Vietnamese guerrillas had made them, he said, modifying his statement a moment later by adding that the real trapdoors were half this size.

He lifted it. The Vietnamese guerrillas put pieces of American uniforms around the leaves so that the Alsatian dogs that the American soldiers used to search for tunnels could not detect the smell of the guerrillas, he said. The guerrillas had also bathed with American soap to mislead the dogs. The guide was a lean, fit man who looked about 35. After prodding he said that he was from Cu Chi and that he had fought as a guerrilla for nine years.  
His age was 47, he said, and with that he returned to his presentation. The vents had also been camouflaged with leaves and pieces of American uniforms. He explained how bo-

soldiers in the tunnels? He stopped and peered at me with curiosity. "Yes, I did." What happened? "A soldier came down and fell into a trap." He lifted his arms like a man firing a rifle. "I was waiting around the corner. When the other soldiers came to remove him, I fired and killed them."  
We emerged and descended again, and this time we entered a small chamber, with a hammock in it, which had been the quarters of the commander of the Cu Chi guerrillas. From here, we passed through another tunnel into a larger chamber with a long table. Here, the Tet Offensive of 1968 had been planned, he claimed, though I wondered if this was another re-creation.  
If this was the chamber he said it was, we now stood where the blunder that had won the war for the north was written in the United States maintain that Tet 1968 was planned with the expectation of causing a popular uprising in the South. However, nothing of the sort occurred. Guerrilla losses were severe — up to 50,000 deaths according to Stanley Karnow's book, "Vietnam: A History" — and included many upper-echelon officers.  
Tet so devastated the Vietcong, in fact, that afterward the war could only be continued in the South with heavy infusions of North Vietnamese Army regulars.  
After Tet the Vietcong were demoralized, but they encountered a windfall: disillusion was greater among Americans. The bungled offensive, which included a sensational but unsuccessful attack on the U.S. Embassy in Saigon, brought the confusion and panic of Tet into American homes through television. Washington's will to fight evaporated. For the north and the Vietcong, Tet was a pyrrhic, and partly accidental, victory.  
Later, in the day's last tunnel, the guide returned to his deliberate, officious tone: "Now we will eat the food of the Vietnamese guerrillas." It was two tiny cups of tea and stalks of tapioca. "It is good that we have peace now," he said. "We can sit and talk like this." His remark deserved something equally profound, but all I could manage was, "Yes, it is." I wondered about the official interpretations of history from his side. But what did it matter 20 years after the war? The tunnels were his.

## Sour Mood in a Seaside Resort

**V**UNG TAU, Vietnam — I met Tam through a typical Ho Chi Minh City encounter. A pedicab driver was taking me to Cholom, the Chinese quarter, and Tam pulled up alongside on his bicycle and began a conversation while we were moving.  
"Sir, may I practice my English with you?" he asked. "Certainly," I replied. I imagined the conversation would last a kilometer or so. "I mean no harm, sir," he said. "I only want to practice my English."  
Tam said he was a university student who hoped to work his way through college as a tour guide, and he offered to show me around Cholom. Because I was the first foreigner he had approached like this, he insisted that he not be paid for his services. I took him up, and before the day was finished, he had picked up a neighbor's scooter for greater convenience, and I had visited his home and met his sister.  
We made plans to travel to Vung Tau, formerly Cap St. Jacques, a seaside resort 128 kilometers (80 miles) southeast of Ho Chi Minh City, on the scooter the following day. Tam was 19, and when I subtracted the years, I realized that he hadn't even been born when I did my tour in Vietnam in 1970-1971.  
Vung Tau had been a rest and recreation resort for the Americans and Australians, who also had bases there. Downtown was filled with dance halls, bars and heavily made-up women among soldiers and engineers who wheeled in and out of the clubs listening to the rock music of the '60s. I wanted to see Vung Tau to clarify my memories of that time and because I had read travel stories promoting Vung Tau as the tourist paradise of Vietnam.

I could recall the stately, though deteriorating, French colonial architecture of Vung Tau, the old Grand Hotel with its pond of dirty water and weedy garden, and the beaches, bungalows and restaurants on the Back Beach.  
Towns have moods, and I found Vung Tau's had gone sour. The Back Beach had not changed, but as I had been warned in Ho Chi Minh City and not been able to remember, the beach was dirty. Downtown, the colonial buildings had been preserved and renovated. The Grand Hotel's facade had destroyed its few redeeming features. Now it is a slab of concrete, with a large empty restaurant and a massage parlor in the lobby. By the Front Beach, the concessions and cafes were still there, but teenagers with tattoos hung about and the waitresses were sullen.  
"Are you ready to leave?" I asked Tam after 10 minutes of shifting reflections. We spent the next hour looking for traces of the old American military base but it had vanished. Racing through town, I realized how dirty the back streets were. I did not vividly recall this sordidness during the war except in squatters' areas.  
"The people think you're Russian," Tam said. This made sense for after the War, Viesovpetro, a Vietnamese-Soviet offshore oil enterprise, had set up in Vung Tau and was still there. By all accounts, the Russians are strongly disliked.  
Of Vung Tau, which had been a dance macabre during the war, only the macabre remained. Tam explained that Vung Tau is popular with the Vietnamese but that they only come down from Ho Chi Minh City for day trips to the beach and avoid the downtown area. I had already rented a room, but now the prospect of 12 hours adrift in Vung

Tau was too much. I returned to the restaurant to cancel the deal with the man who had rented the room to me.  
I had spent time talking to this man earlier in the day. He had been a captain in the South Vietnamese Army and had done six years in a re-education camp, the standard sentence for men of his rank. No, he said, had not been beaten in the camps, he said, but prisoners had been shot if they had tried to escape. Many had died of disease. On the average day, the prisoners had been taken out to the fields at 6 A.M., worked until 11 A.M., were brought back to the prison for lunch until 1 P.M., and then returned to the fields again until 5 or 6 in the evening.  
The main complaint was that there was not enough food. Many of the refugees who had left Vietnam by boat years earlier had left from Vung Tau, and I asked him about this. Had the refugees left from this beach, from little fishing boats like these? Yes, they had, but the small boats had taken them out to larger boats which they had changed to at sea.  
The former captain and I drank for an hour and then posed for a photograph. He was a half-foot shorter than me, but he reached up and put his arm on my shoulder for the snapshot.  
Tam was getting anxious. We must leave soon, he said.  
The road from Vung Tau to Ho Chi Minh City is not lighted and there are bandits. On the ride back, Tam opened up the scooter to its maximum speed. "Can you fight?" he asked. The sun was setting and we still had half of the journey ahead of us.

Andrew Ranard

**THE WOMEN WERE SO SCARCE THAT MEN QUEUED UP** along the main verandah of the hotel to spy on them as they made their way in to dinner. At the time there were 8 men to every woman in Singapore, you understand, and the verandah quickly became well known as "Cad's Alley".  
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**Undercover Blues**  
Directed by Herbert Ross, U.S.  
Because it relies so heavily on manners identified with either the James Bond or "Thin Man" movies, you might suspect that "Undercover Blues" would be a sort of hybrid rip-off. The new film also uses New Orleans locations with the tenacity of a sight-seer who won't rest until his feet bleed. Bad signs, all. Possibly because of these signs, or at least in part, "Undercover Blues" turns out to seem a most genial  
(Vincent Canby, NYT)

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## Ice Beer: The Art of Marketing

By Stuart Elliott  
New York Times Service  
**W**HAT: A new produced partly in freezing temperatures is the newest fad in an industry erupting with new processes and products intended to pique the interest of fickle, free-spenders consumers in their 20s and 30s as overall beer consumption in the United States stagnates.  
**HOW? OR THE NEW ICE AGE:** Beer is brewed and filtered at 24 to 26 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 2 to 4 degrees centigrade) until ice crystals form. Filtering the crystals produces what ice beer's enthusiasts describe as a richer, smoother, cleaner taste.  
**ICE, ICE, BABY:** The brewing process can also yield a beer with more alcohol by weight than conventional brands: 4.4 percent, compared with the average 3.6 percent. So think of it as a yuppie version of malt liquor.  
**WHERE?** Ice beer first became available in Germany and Canada, countries known for their beers, or at least for their beer drinkers. It has captured 10 percent of the Canadian market since delectable brands were introduced there in mid-March by the biggest brewers, Labatt and Molson.  
**RED, WHITE & BLUE ICE:** Ice beer migrated to the U.S. in August, when Molson's American unit began importing Molson Ice to test markets in Michigan and Atlanta. Based on "gratifying results," distribution will expand to about 20 states. Expanding that expansion is the Miller Brewing Co., the United States' No. 2 brewer and Molson's new American partner.  
As for the No. 1 American brewer, Anheuser-Busch Inc., it is rushing Ice Draft from Budweiser into bars and restaurants in 13 Western states. It's to arrive on Oct. 4.  
Ice beers are priced the same as each company's major brands.  
**WHY?** From the 1960s to the mid-1980s, the American beer industry consolidated its operations and homogenized its offerings to the point where it appeared that drinkers were acquiescing to an inexorable

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THE ARTS GUIDE

A Circus Juggler Finds His Roots

By Brad Spurgeon
International Herald Tribune

VILLERS-SUR-MER, France — When I was 18 I ran away from home and joined the circus...

Then I had children and vacationed in Normandy last summer and all along the coast circus posters beckoned us...

The circus where I worked, Puck's Canadian Traveling Circus, was modeled after the single-ring European tent circuses...

Now I know why, and I also know that future trips around Europe hold in store for my children...

Here's the typical routine when the circus comes to town:

After we saw the posters for the Cirque Müller, a day or two before the show opened a jeep arrived bellowing circus music...

At the market on the morning of the big day we ran into a camel while we were buying Camembert.

That walking billboard got my 2-year-old son, Paul, and me to go and spend the rest of

the morning watching them set up the tent. Paul was riveted by the circus children jumping on the back of the hippo...

When the box office opened for the 5:30 performance, we bought second-row seats for 110 francs (about \$20)...

There were 15 acts, with only about six performers, mostly the Müller family. They were not spectacular but Paul adored their joyful personalities...

After the show, I still inched for the smell of sawdust and returned early the next morning. There was no trace of the circus...

The next week we skipped the Cirque Européen that visited Villers, opting for the highly touted Cirque Bouglione...

Bouglione lived up to its reputation, with its superb jugglers — including two women who juggled tables with their feet...

So I was delighted to see that the smaller, cheaper and less professional Cirque Müller was just as good, if not better...

Only one thing bothered me. At both circuses the ringmaster stopped the show for a collection for the animals.

At Bouglione, Paul loved it because it took the form of a 10 franc lottery, where everyone was a winner...

Paris Restaurants: A Chef to Watch

By Patricia Wells
International Herald Tribune

PARIS — A young chef who manages to offer a sense of refinement at bistro prices, has a knack for winning the allegiance of the showbiz crowd...

Four years after opening his flowery, flashy restaurant just off the Champs-Élysées, the 31-year-old Belgian chef Yvan Zaplatilek continues to dazzle and please.

There is, to be sure, some roughness around the edges (silver salt and pepper shakers that refuse to deliver; chipped glasses; a veritable lack of elbow room at the table)...

Yvan's food could be called nouvelle, modern or inventive, but whatever it is, it's scintillating.

Some dishes are less successful than others. The tomatoes stuffed with a mix of cured vegetables had turned to an unappealing mush...

veal kidneys seasoned with cumin. Zaplatilek understands how to use honey, dates, spices, herbs and fresh fruit...

His international tendencies show up in a pairing of grilled baby quail with squares of polenta studded with black olives...

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Andy Warhol's "Big Torn Campbell's Soup Can (Vegetable Beef)" at the Royal Academy in London; ivory carving in Hildesheim, Germany; "Altar to Omo-Olu" in the Museum for African Art in New York.

AUSTRIA

Sabzburg Rupertinum (tel: 80.42.25.41). To Oct. 17: "Rouault, Maier and Graphic..."

VIENNA

Albertina (tel: 534.83). To Nov. 14: "Landscape Art in the Age of Rembrandt..."

BELGIUM

Antwerp Ethnographisch Museum (tel: 231.20.33). To Dec. 31: "The Face of the Spirits: Masks from Zaïre..."

BRITAIN

London Royal Academy of Arts (tel: 499.7439). To Dec. 12: "American Art in the Twentieth Century..."

FRANCE

Lyon Halle Tony Garnier (tel: 72.73.31.26). To Oct. 13: "Les Tons Changeront le biennale..."

GERMANY

Hildesheim Römer- und Peitzhaus-Museum (tel: 39.96.90). To Nov. 28: "Bernward von Hildesheim and the Time of the Emperors Otto..."

ISRAEL

Jerusalem The Israel Museum (tel: 708.8111). To Nov. 15: "Picasso the Draughtsman..."

ITALY

Florence Palazzo Strozzi (tel: 282.635). Sept. 25 to Oct. 11: "Mostra Mercato Internazionale dell'Antiquariato..."

GENOVA

Palazzo Ducale (tel: 56.24.40). To Oct. 31: "Carpets from the Central Asian Nomads..."

THE NETHERLANDS

Amsterdam Stedelijk Museum (tel: 57.32.911). To Oct. 10: "John Wesley: Paintings 1863-1892..."

SINGAPORE

World Trade Centre (tel: 354.58.05). To Oct. 3: "Tresors: The International Fine Art & Antiques Fair for Asia..."

SWITZERLAND

Martigny Fondation Pierre Gianadda (tel: 22.59.70). To Nov. 21: "Edgar..."

UNITED STATES

Chicago The Art Institute of Chicago (tel: 812.443.000). To Nov. 30: "Max Ernst: Dada and the Dawn of Surrealism..."

NEW YORK

Museum for African Art (tel: 212.965.1313). To Jan. 7: "Face of the Gods..."



A French creation of 1912, in Philadelphia hat show.

among others are Cézanne's "Les Grandes Balnéaires" and "Les Baigneurs de Carles..."

BOOKS

A TIDEWATER MORNING: Three Tales From Youth

By William Styron. 142 pages. \$17. Random House.

Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

A KEY to what made William Styron a writer can be found in a passage from the title story...

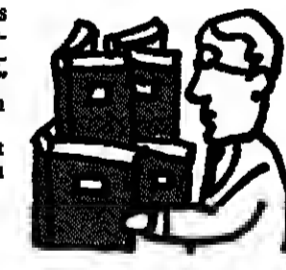
"Shadrach" depicts Paul's reaction to the arrival in town of a 99-year-old former slave...

While they're compelling enough to read, there isn't anything terribly special about any of the stories in "A Tidewater Morning..."

Indeed, their main interest lies in the fact that they are a kind of Rosetta stone to Styron's previous work...

WHAT THEY'RE READING

Daniel Libeskind, architect, is rereading Marcel Proust's "Remembrance of Things Past..."



The awakening of a young person from innocence into experience, a theme that also informs "Sophie's Choice..."

In many of Styron's books, an awareness of the darkness inherent in the human condition surfaces in the form of evil: slavery in "The Confessions of Nat Turner..."

But while war and slavery also slip at the margins of these stories, it is their cousin death that most insistently concerns Styron here.

In fact, each of the stories in this volume ultimately involves Paul's recognition of the fact of mortality: in "Shadrach" and "A Tidewater Morning..."

Michiko Kakutani is on the staff of The New York Times.

BRIDGE

Bridge game results and diagrams. Includes text: "THE only operational computer network bridge game, is the Imagination Network." and "It did not matter whether East covered: his nine was doomed and the contract was safe."

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# NYSE

Thursday's Closing  
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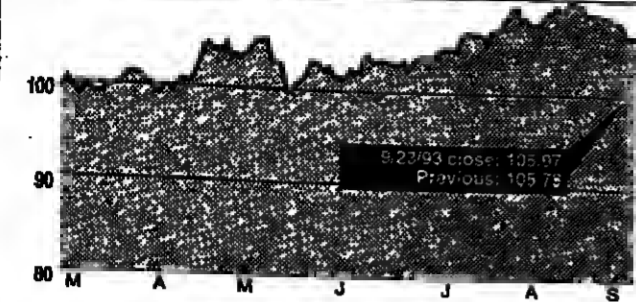
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N. America	82.37	Prev. 82.42	Change -0.05

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Capital Goods	101.48	101.34	+0.09
Raw Materials	102.13	101.98	+0.15
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Miscellaneous	108.30	108.83	-0.43

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## Viacom Sues to Block QVC Bid

**The Associated Press**  
NEW YORK — Viacom Inc. filed suit Thursday in federal court to block QVC Network Inc.'s rival multibillion dollar bid for Paramount Communications Inc., saying it was part of a conspiracy to monopolize the cable industry.

The lawsuit comes as Summer Redstone's Viacom tries to defend its own deal to acquire Paramount, a film and publishing powerhouse. Viacom agreed earlier this month to pay cash and stock for Paramount, an offer now worth \$7.5 billion. The cable shopping channel operator QVC made a competing cash and stock offer this week that is now worth \$9.9 billion.

QVC, headed by Barry Diller, was backed in its bid by Liberty Media Corp., which is headed by one of the cable industry's most powerful figures, John Malone. Mr. Malone is also a top officer of Telcel Communications Inc., the nation's biggest cable system operator.

In its suit, Viacom accused Mr. Malone of a series of monopolistic actions and said the QVC bid for Paramount was "one more step in John Malone's conspiracy to monopolize" the cable industry.

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## Luxury Meets Austerity France's LVMH Fears Long Downturn

**By Jacques Neher**  
*International Herald Tribune*  
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## GPA Plan Cuts Plane Orders By \$7.7 Billion

**Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches**  
DUBLIN — Debt-crippled GPA Group Plc, the world's biggest aircraft leasing company, scaled a rescue package with General Electric Co. of the United States on Thursday that requires a \$7.7 billion cut in its order book.

The plan will leave GPA under the effective control of the General Electric's GE Capital subsidiary, which will hold an option to purchase a stake of around two-thirds in the leasing company.

The struggling Shannon-based company, detailing a package that took months to cement but averted almost-certain collapse, said it was cutting its new aircraft orders by more than three quarters, to 57 planes from 242.

The agreement would cut GPA's aircraft bill to \$3.6 billion from \$11.3 billion, with Boeing Co. and Airbus Industrie taking the biggest hit.

The number of firm deliveries from Fokker NV has been cut to two planes from 19, GPA said. Those two craft have now been purchased from existing credits and pre-delivery payments, with no significant additional outlay.

Orders from Franco-Italian regional jet joint venture company, ATR, have been cut to 10 from 31. But it is uncertain those 10 craft will actually be purchased.

GPA said it has canceled all 13 orders for DHC-8 aircraft from Canada's Bombardier/DeHavilland.

All told, GPA said, its order cutbacks have cost it \$391 million in lost deposits and other fees, although \$75 million could be recovered.

## Thinking Ahead

### IMF: Time for 50-Year Overhaul

**By Reginald Dale**  
*International Herald Tribune*

WASHINGTON — Soon after next year's 50th anniversary of the Normandy landings, it will be time to commemorate a rather more rarefied episode from the closing stages of World War II. In July 1944, it will be half a century since economic and monetary officials of the Western Allies gathered at Bretton Woods, New Hampshire, to design international financial institutions for the postwar recovery and beyond.

Most people think the Bretton Woods conference did a splendid job. They are right. The International Monetary Fund and the World Bank (the so-called Bretton Woods institutions) have played a big role in ensuring greater world prosperity and stability.

But after 50 years, many also want to review whether the institutions are in good shape for the post-Cold War world of the 1990s. They are right too.

As this year's IMF-World Bank annual meeting gets underway in Washington, talk of reform is already in the air, and it will intensify as the anniversary draws nearer.

While the smooth first 25 years of the Bretton Woods system were marked by stunning successes for the world economy, the bumpy second 25 years have been packed with big disappointments. That is not necessarily the fault of the Bank and the Fund. In recent years it would be fairer to blame the Group of Seven.

But it is obvious that the world economy has changed beyond all recognition since Bretton Woods. Among other upheavals, the past half-century has witnessed decolonization, oil shocks, debt crises, floating currencies, the rise of Asia, the explosion of technology and the dawn of the global market.

But perhaps most important, at least for the Bank and the Fund, has been the spectacular growth of the international capital market. Now that they can easily raise money elsewhere without having to submit to IMF conditions, industrial countries have long ceased drawing on the fund.

The unexpected new phenomenon of the 1990s is the extent to which private money is also pouring into developing countries — or emerging

markets, as most of them are now called — as free enterprise and privatization sweep the globe.

Meanwhile, the Fund and the Bank have moved away from their traditional roles into so-called structural adjustment lending, aimed at transforming the economies of developing and ex-Communist countries. They also are being asked to carry out missions for the Group of Seven countries ranging from aid to Russia to, most recently, the economic development of Palestine.

Critics have some good points. They say the Bank has become too big and bureaucratic, the functions of the Bank and the Fund increasingly overlap, the Bank is getting confused between its development mission and its new emphasis on the environment, the IMF has become impotent to enforce exchange-rate discipline, and both could do more to promote private capital flows.

So what is to be done? Merge the Bank and the Fund or abolish one of them, say the most radical reformers. Merge the bank with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, say others. Set up a new institution, an Economic Security Council on the lines of the United Nations, says Jacques Delors, president of the EC Commission.

It is not clear how a merger would help. The two institutions still have distinct functions and different kinds of experts. A single organization would be a bureaucratic nightmare. A merger with GATT is a nonstarter for the time being — although the two should be told to cooperate much more closely — and the Delors proposal seems to have sunk without a trace.

Better, and more likely, would be a series of practical changes such as those proposed this week by the Institute for International Finance, which represents the world banking community. These include improving the institutions' techniques for mobilizing private money and providing broader political risk cover in areas such as the former Soviet Union.

And if the leading Western countries really want to tackle the problems of the world economy, they could try turning their own G-7 meetings into a more effective management body. It is still governments, not international institutions, that bear responsibility for most of the world's ills.

## Economy Undercuts Results at Crédit Lyonnais

**Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches**  
PARIS — Undermined by the weak European economy, Crédit Lyonnais said it had a net loss of 1,045 billion French francs (\$184.2 million) in the first half, compared with net profit of 119 billion francs a year earlier and a net loss of 1,967 billion francs in the second half of 1992.

Jean-Yves Haberer, chairman of France's largest commercial bank, attributed the loss to the recession in Europe, high provisions for bad debt, especially in the real estate sector, and 1 billion francs of losses at French state-owned companies in which Crédit Lyonnais has stakes.

He said net results should improve in the second half but added that the continuing economic crisis and losses on holdings in the aerospace concern Aerospatiale and the steelmaker Usinor-Sacilor Groupe would continue to pull down earnings.

Mr. Haberer also confirmed reports that the French government, which controls the bank, had asked him whether he was ready to leave his post and said he was considering the offer of another position, "one which I would not have thought of myself." He did not say what post he had been offered.

The company's joint managing director, François Gille, said Crédit Lyonnais would benefit from a move toward lower interest rates in France and from its strategy of

controlling costs. But he said risk provisions would remain high in the second half, especially because of continued weakness in the real estate market, to which Crédit Lyonnais is heavily exposed.

Provisions were 7.2 billion francs in the first half, compared with 6.0 billion francs a year earlier and 11.6 billion francs in the second half of 1992.

Net banking income rose 13.3 percent to 27.7 billion francs, and gross operating result improved 4.2 percent, to 6.97 billion francs.

The bank's problem loans from its financing of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc. and other interests in the movie industry are largely behind it, Mr. Haberer said, although the

bank did make provisions of 700 million francs for the industry and related loans.

### Bid for MGM Reportedly Planned

William Koch, winner of the 1992 America's Cup yachting race and chairman of the supercomputer maker Kendall Square Research Corp., is likely to bid for MGM, Reuters reported from Los Angeles, quoting industry sources.

The sources, who asked not to be identified, said Mr. Koch has retained International Creative Management's chairman, Jeff Berg, to prepare a proposal that he could present to Crédit Lyonnais. Mr. Berg could not be reached for comment.

## IMF Will Halt Aid to Russia Pending Further Reforms

**The Associated Press**  
WASHINGTON — The head of the International Monetary Fund confirmed Thursday that Russia would have to get its economic reform program on track before it could receive funds from the international lending agency.

But Managing Director Michel Camdessus suggested that enough progress could be made either by the end of this year or early next year to free at least \$1.5 billion in IMF assistance.

Mr. Camdessus held out the possibility that the amount of IMF assistance provided could be even larger and he also said the IMF would not object if individual countries speed their own assistance to Russia.

The IMF provided a \$1.5 billion loan to Russia in June and had been expected to provide a second \$1.5 billion loan in September. That schedule is now on hold.

In his remarks, Mr. Camdessus praised the government of President Boris N. Yeltsin for the reforms that have been made, often in the face of stiff opposition by the Russian parliament.

He blamed the political instability in Russia for derailing the reform program this summer.

Mr. Camdessus suggested that IMF assistance could be forthcoming by the end of this year or early next year. He also suggested that in addition to the \$1.5 billion from a

special fund to support free-market reforms, Russia might be able to tap into the IMF's regular support program for countries experiencing economic problems.

President Bill Clinton has supported Mr. Yeltsin in this week's constitutional crisis with parliament and called on other countries to do the same. The administration has used the crisis in Moscow to call for quick congressional approval of Mr. Clinton's proposed \$2.5 billion aid package.

Mr. Camdessus said that while the IMF cannot provide additional funds until Russia shows progress in implementing economic reforms, individual countries were free to accelerate the pace of their own assistance.

He called the current situation in Russia "very fluid and difficult to analyze."

Of a \$44 billion Western aid package announced by Mr. Clinton and other leaders last spring, one-fifth is coming from the World Bank and IMF with the rest coming from individual countries, much of it in the form of debt relief.

The situation in Russia was expected to occupy much of the discussion time at this week's annual meeting of the 177-nation IMF and its sister lending organization, the World Bank.

Other issues on the agenda were the global economic slump and a

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Mr. Piech, in Prague for a meeting with Czech officials, said VW would fulfill its original promise to upgrade and expand Skoda's operations.

### CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES

Sept. 23

Cross Rates	Rate	Sept. 22	Change
American \$	1.28	1.28	0.00
British £	1.65	1.65	0.00
French FF	6.55	6.55	0.00
German DM	1.36	1.36	0.00
Italian Lira	2036	2036	0.00
Japanese Yen	160	160	0.00
Swiss Franc	1.48	1.48	0.00
Spanish Ptas.	166.64	166.64	0.00
Thai Baht	50.00	50.00	0.00
Yuan Renminbi	8.28	8.28	0.00

Other Dollar Values	Rate	Sept. 22	Change
Australian \$	0.77	0.77	0.00
Canadian \$	0.73	0.73	0.00
Hong Kong \$	7.80	7.80	0.00
New Zealand \$	1.25	1.25	0.00
Singapore \$	0.68	0.68	0.00
Taiwan \$	24.63	24.63	0.00
South African R	12.50	12.50	0.00
Israeli Sheqel	3.48	3.48	0.00
Philippine P	49.00	49.00	0.00
Indian Rupee	45.36	45.36	0.00
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Forward Rates	Rate	Sept. 22	Change
30-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
60-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
90-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
120-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
150-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
180-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
210-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
240-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
300-day	1.28	1.28	0.00
360-day	1.28	1.28	0.00

Key Money Rates	Rate	Sept. 22	Change
3-month T-bill	5.50	5.50	0.00
6-month T-bill	5.50	5.50	0.00
1-year T-bill	5.50	5.50	0.00
3-month Euro	5.50	5.50	0.00
6-month Euro	5.50	5.50	0.00
1-year Euro	5.50	5.50	0.00
3-month JGB	5.50	5.50	0.00
6-month JGB	5.50	5.50	0.00
1-year JGB	5.50	5.50	0.00
3-month Govt	5.50	5.50	0.00
6-month Govt	5.50	5.50	0.00
1-year Govt	5.50	5.50	0.00

MARKET DIARY

OTC Stocks Surge As Blue Chips Slip

NEW YORK — Stocks were mixed on Thursday, as blue-chip issues faltered but over-the-counter shares ended at a record high.

N.Y. Stocks

Traders said the big industrial companies in the Dow were out of favor in a slow economy, while technology shares, well represented in the Nasdaq average, were hot.

The Dow has only retraced about 42 percent of the losses it has sustained since hitting a record 3,652 on Aug. 25. The S&P 500, by contrast, has regained nearly 65 percent.

Russian Unease Keeps Dollar Strong on Mark

NEW YORK — The dollar rose more than a penny against the Deutsche mark on Thursday as the currency market remained concerned about the situation in Russia.

Foreign Exchange

When in fact during the New York afternoon a skirmish took place at armed forces headquarters in Moscow it appeared minor, and the dollar got little further lift from the news, traders said.

At the close of trading, the dollar had risen to 1.6435 DM from 1.6300 at Wednesday's close.

Mr. Thin said the U.S. currency's strength against the mark was based not only on events in Russia, but also on "the expectancy that forthcoming U.S. economic indicators will show an improving economic recovery, while German figures are likely to show that the German economy is in a deep recession."

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S&P Reviews RJR's Bond Rating NEW YORK (Bloomberg)—RJR Nabisco Holding Corp. may lose its investment-grade bond rating from Standard & Poor's Corp. because of risks confronting the company's tobacco business.

Harcourt Weighs Bid for MacMillan NEW YORK (Bloomberg)—Harcourt General Inc. is considering making a bid for MacMillan Inc., the publishing company that was put on the auction block after the death of Robert Maxwell in 1991.

U.S. West Plans \$1 Billion Offering ENGLEWOOD, Colorado (AFX)—U.S. West Inc. plans to sell about \$1 billion of stock in a public offering.

Air Products Lists Revamping Cost NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder)—Air Products & Chemicals Inc. said Thursday it expected to take a \$115 million restructuring charge, before taxes, for a profit-improvement program.

For the Record Value Health Inc. and Preferred Health Care Ltd. said Thursday in Avon, Connecticut, that they would create the nation's largest provider of managed mental-health and substance-abuse programs in a stock-swap merger valued at \$425 million.

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Thursday's Prices  
This list compiled by the AP, consists of the 1,000 most traded securities in terms of dollar value. It is updated twice a year.

12 Month High	12 Month Low	Div	Yld	PE	High	Low	Label	Chg
100	50	1.00	4.00	10	100	50	IBM	+1.00
120	60	1.20	4.50	12	120	60	MSFT	+1.20
150	75	1.50	5.00	15	150	75	GE	+1.50
180	90	1.80	5.50	18	180	90	AMZN	+1.80
200	100	2.00	6.00	20	200	100	GOOG	+2.00
250	125	2.50	6.50	25	250	125	ORCL	+2.50
300	150	3.00	7.00	30	300	150	INTL	+3.00
350	175	3.50	7.50	35	350	175	WMT	+3.50
400	200	4.00	8.00	40	400	200	DIS	+4.00
450	225	4.50	8.50	45	450	225	BA	+4.50
500	250	5.00	9.00	50	500	250	CVX	+5.00
550	275	5.50	9.50	55	550	275	MRK	+5.50
600	300	6.00	10.00	60	600	300	PG	+6.00
650	325	6.50	10.50	65	650	325	UNH	+6.50
700	350	7.00	11.00	70	700	350	LLY	+7.00
750	375	7.50	11.50	75	750	375	ABB	+7.50
800	400	8.00	12.00	80	800	400	MDA	+8.00
850	425	8.50	12.50	85	850	425	AMT	+8.50
900	450	9.00	13.00	90	900	450	TRV	+9.00
950	475	9.50	13.50	95	950	475	AXP	+9.50
1000	500	10.00	14.00	100	1000	500	WFC	+10.00

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120	60	MSFT	+1.20
150	75	GE	+1.50
180	90	AMZN	+1.80
200	100	GOOG	+2.00
250	125	ORCL	+2.50
300	150	INTL	+3.00
350	175	WMT	+3.50
400	200	DIS	+4.00
450	225	BA	+4.50
500	250	CVX	+5.00
550	275	MRK	+5.50
600	300	PG	+6.00
650	325	UNH	+6.50
700	350	LLY	+7.00
750	375	ABB	+7.50
800	400	MDA	+8.00
850	425	AMT	+8.50
900	450	TRV	+9.00
950	475	AXP	+9.50
1000	500	WFC	+10.00

## Suez Will Take In \$420 Million From Générale Asset Sale

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches  
BRUSSELS — Société Générale de Belgique announced the sale of its CBR cement operations Thursday in a deal that will net about 2.4 billion French francs (\$423 million) for SGB's chief owner, Compagnie de Suez.

The buyer in the transaction, worth a total of 22.5 billion Belgian francs (\$650 million), is Heidelberg Zement AG, a German cement company that is about 30 percent held by Deutsche Bank and Dresdner Bank.

Heidelberg said the deal, for a controlling stake in Cimenteries CBR, would create the world's fifth-largest cement producer, with annual output of 38 million metric tons and annual revenue of about 109 billion Belgian francs.

Heidelberg is paying 11,750 francs a share for the stake of 42.58 percent in CBR owned by Générale de Belgique, Belgium's leading industrial holding company. The German company will then tender for the remaining CBR shares at the same price, which values the entire company at about 52.87 billion francs.

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CBR stock was suspended Wednesday on the Brussels exchange at 11,425 francs a share. Générale said it has made a "significant" capital gain on the sale. CBR's stock has risen sharply in recent years, from as low as 4,700 francs in 1987, before Suez won control of Générale in a takeover battle with Carlo De Benedetti.

CBR runs plants in Belgium, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic and Poland. Heidelberg's plants are in southern and western Germany, and it has minority interests in cement makers in France, Hungary, Croatia and the Czech Republic.

CBR has six plants that serve the western provinces of Canada and four western U.S. states. Heidelberg owns a majority of Lehigh Portland Cement, with sales in the eastern half of the United States.

Générale de Belgique also reported Thursday that its net profit for the first half of the year had been 437 billion francs, little changed from 447 billion in a year earlier.

Its chief executive, Gérard Mestrallet, said he was cautious about full-year prospects, "as we do not expect the economic environment to improve in the second half."

(Reuters, APX)

## Investor's Europe

Frankfurt DAX	London FTSE 100 Index	Paris CAC 40
2000	3000	2000
1500	2000	1500
1000	1500	1000
500	1000	500
0	500	0

Exchange	Index	Thursday Close	Prev. Close	% Change
Amsterdam	CBS Trend	124.10	123.60	+0.40
Brussels	Spook Index	6,545.42	6,506.44	+0.56
Frankfurt	DAX	1,916.51	1,893.00	+1.24
Frankfurt	FAZ	735.48	728.23	+1.00
Munich	HEX	1,374.12	1,343.40	+2.28
London	Financial Times 30	2,812.90	2,829.20	-0.72
London	FTSE 100	3,001.36	3,007.50	-0.21
Madrid	General Index	284.22	282.77	+0.51
Milan	MIB	1,306.00	1,300.00	+0.45
Paris	CAC 40	2,057.53	2,079.96	-1.08
Stockholm	Affarsnyckaren	1,558.10	1,530.22	+1.82
Vienna	Stock Index	N.A.	417.13	
Zurich	SBS	836.00	830.00	+0.72

Sources: Reuters, APX  
International Herald Tribune

## Mercedes Said to Pick Site in North Carolina

By Warren Brown and Frank Swoboda  
Washington Post Service  
WASHINGTON — Mercedes-Benz has chosen a site in North Carolina for its first automobile assembly plant in the United States, company sources said.

Michael Jackson, executive vice president for Mercedes-Benz of North America Inc., a unit of Daimler-Benz AG of Germany, said Wednesday in Fairfax, Virginia, that the new plant would be in the South, and the company sources later said it would be in North Carolina.

The sources would not say precisely where the plant would be built, but speculation has focused on Mebane, North Carolina, a community on the northern end of the corridor along Interstate 85 that stretches from Atlanta to Virginia and has become a home for other international companies in the automobile and transportation industries, including Michelin Tire Corp. and Consolidated Freightways Ltd.

North Carolina officials say representatives of Mercedes have been taking air and soil samples and doing other site-preparation work at Mebane in recent weeks.

Omaha, Nebraska, had been considered a serious contender for the plant, which is to employ 1,500 people and manufacture a four-wheel drive sport utility vehicle for export and for the American market.

Mercedes also had been looking at a plant site at Sommerville, South Carolina, 20 miles (32 kilometers) north of Charleston.

The BMW Inc. unit of Bayerische Motoren Werke AG of Germany has already begun construction of a similar plant in Greer, South Carolina, less than 100 miles south of Mebane on I-85, where it will employ 1,900 people manufacturing cars for American and export markets.

For the German companies, the American sites are a manufacturing haven with wage rates averaging around half what they are in Germany. BMW, for example, will be paying average wages of \$15 to \$17 an hour, compared with the \$30 an hour they must pay their workers at home.

Mercedes-Benz said Thursday it was acquiring a 13 percent stake in Detroit Diesel Corp. valued at \$40 million. The Associated Press reported from Stuttgart.

Mercedes said it had an option to increase the stake in the Detroit-based maker of diesel engines to 20 percent within the next year. It said the two companies had been working together since 1991 on the development of fuel-injection systems and on engine designs.

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  - Pirelli SpA posted a first-half net loss of 62.7 billion lire after a 77 billion lire profit a year earlier that was due to one-time gains.
  - BSN SA said it was considering bidding for the insolvent German dairy products company Stäblich AG.
  - Argentina SA will pay a 1993 gross dividend of 115 pesetas (88 U.S. cents) a share.
- Bloomberg, Reuters, APX

## Bertelsmann Net Up 16%

Bloomberg Business News  
GUETTERSLOH, Germany — Group sales rose 6.5 percent, to 16.99 billion DM, with Germany accounting for about 6.6 billion of that total and export sales about 10.4 billion, the company said.

Operating earnings rose 19.6 percent, to 1.43 billion DM from 1.196 billion a year earlier, the firm said, with "all company sectors contributing to the increase."

The outlook for the current year "isn't so rosy," Mr. Woessner said, citing the German recession. "However, we do expect earnings to match last year and the dividend to be unchanged."

The work force of the Bertelsmann group expanded by 1,600, to 50,500 in the reporting year.

## U.K. Publisher Seeks Purchaser For Extel Wire

United Press International  
LONDON — United Newspapers PLC said Thursday that its Extel financial wire was up for sale.

The company also said favorable currency factors helped push its pretax profits up 10.4 percent, to £51.3 million in the first half.

The chairman, Lord Stevens, said the company — which owns the national newspapers the Daily Express and the Daily Star — had received a number of inquiries concerning Extel and, "in view of the increasing investment needs of the financial information industry" it had decided to put it up for sale.

United said the strengthening of the dollar, and the conversion of the company's Reuters exchangeable preference shares, improved its pretax profits from its previous £46.5 million (\$70.7 million).

## Swissair Group Loses \$46 Million In First Half

Agence France-Press  
ZURICH — Swissair-Schweizerische Luftverkehr AG, the Swiss airline company, announced Thursday a loss of 65 million Swiss francs (\$46 million) in the first half of the year.

Swissair, the main component of the company, recently reported a net loss of 125 million Swiss francs.

The consolidated figure includes the results of its catering company, Swissair Hotels and the Balair and Crossair charter companies. It was the first time the overall company published consolidated results.

Swissair said it hoped to achieve "a balanced result" for the whole year. But the outlook for the second half remained difficult because of uncertainty about the economic situation and exchange rate instability.

In the first half, group operating income totaled 3.1 billion francs, compared with 6.2 billion for the whole of 1992. Operating costs were 2.9 billion francs, compared with 5.5 billion francs.

The company said its airlines accounted for 43 million francs, or two-thirds, of the loss.

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**

Please take notice that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Fidelity Pacific Fund S.A. (the "Corporation") will take place at 10:00 a.m. at the Corporation's principal office, Pembroke Hall, Pembroke, Bermuda on Friday, October 8, 1993.

The following matters are on the agenda for this meeting:

- Re-election of the following individuals as Directors:  
Edward C. Johnson 3d  
Barry R. J. Bateman  
Charles T. M. Collis
- Review of the balance sheet and profit-and-loss statement of the Corporation for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1993.
- Ratification of actions taken by the Directors since the last Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.
- Ratification of actions taken by the Investment Manager since the last Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.
- Consideration of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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Fidelity Pacific Fund S.A.  
c/o Fidelity International Limited  
P.O. Box HM 670  
Hamilton HM CX,  
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All proxies (and certificates of deposit issued to bearer shareholders) must be received by the Corporation not later than 9:30 a.m. on October 8, 1993, in order to be used at the meeting.

Dated: August 31, 1993

BY ORDER OF THE MANAGEMENT, CHARLES T.M. COLLIS, SECRETARY

**Fidelity Investments**

NYSE Thursday's Closing

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

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# '94 Budget For Seoul Up 13.7%

SEOUL — The South Korean cabinet on Thursday approved a 13.7 percent rise in the nation's budget for 1994, hoping to revive the sagging economy and to boost international competitiveness.

The cabinet approved the proposed budget of 43.25 trillion won (\$33.4 billion) next year from 38.05 trillion won this year.

"The budget aims to prioritize an improvement in the productivity of government finances," said Lee Suk-Chae, assistant budget minister at the Economic Planning Board. "We are trying to give more weight to expenditure on infrastructure and subsidizing small business rather than defense and personnel costs."

But the largest single budgetary component will remain defense, which takes up nearly a quarter of all expenditures.

Defense spending was set at 10.49 trillion won in 1994, up 9.4 percent from this year. It totals 25.3 percent of spending and 3.62 percent of gross national product next year.

Mr. Lee said the budget proposal was based on a government forecast that 1994 GNP would grow an inflation-adjusted 7.1 percent. The GNP deflator, or the overall inflation rate in the economy, is expected to be unchanged at 5.3 percent.

A Finance Ministry official said that national taxation, excluding regional levies, would rise 18.4 percent next year, to 45.86 trillion won.

"We said income taxes would provide 10.67 trillion won, up from a projected 9.3 trillion in 1993.

The gross tax burden, including national and local levies would rise to 20.2 percent of GNP next year from 19.3 percent, while the per capita tax burden would average 1.51 million won, up from 1.12 million.

Infrastructure spending will rise 29.9 percent, to 6.77 trillion won.

"One of the major expenditures next year involves a government investment of 324.3 billion won to continue building a high-speed railway.

# Banking on Hong Kong Taiwan Seeks China-Trade Advantage

*Bloomberg Business News*

TAIPEI — The opening Thursday of Hua Nan Commercial Bank's branch office in Hong Kong, a first for a Taiwan bank, is bad news for foreign banks growing fat on Taiwan's booming trade with China through the British colony.

But it is good news for investors in Hua Nan, one of Taiwan's state-controlled banking powerhouses, analysts said.

Business and trade between Taiwan and China are soaring as Beijing moves toward a market economy. But Taipei's Nationalist government, at odds with Beijing since the 1949 civil war, requires money flowing to China to go through third countries.

The absence of a Taiwanese branch bank in Hong Kong, the main conduit for Taiwan's trade with the mainland, left a big chunk of banking business beyond the reach of the country's own financial institutions.

Hua Nan hopes to attract mainland Chinese banks, is sure to cash in on servicing Taiwan companies with mainland business, analysts said.

Hua Nan hopes to attract banking business from at least 10,000 Taiwan companies through its approximately 140-branch network, one of the country's largest, Mr. Yuan said.

The bank will be able to get around a Taipei ban on direct business with mainland Chinese banks by working closely with foreign banks in China, said Hua Nan's executive vice president, Edward Chen.

In addition to trade finance, the bank hopes to develop its syndicated loan business in Hong Kong, Mr. Chen said.

The bank, which has participated in "four or five" international lending groups over the past few months, believes it can gain more experience in syndications in Hong Kong than it can in Taipei, Mr. Chen said.

Mr. Chen said the tremendous potential for the cigarette market in India, of which ITC controls 57 percent, will attract foreign competition soon, especially under the prevailing liberalized economic regime.

# India Tobacco Giant Set for Competition

CALCUTTA — India's cigarette giant ITC Ltd. is gearing up for foreign competition with an ambitious expansion program that will see its exports grow twofold this fiscal year, according to its chairman, Kishan Lal Chugh.

Mr. Chugh said the increase in exports, expected to rise to 1 billion rupees (\$319 million) in the 1993-94 financial year from just 50 million rupees, was only part of an expansion that ranges from hotels and edible oils to financial services.

"We are looking at the world as our market now," he said, adding that the outlook was a result of far-reaching economic reforms launched by the government two years ago.

ITC, 38 percent owned by the British-based conglomerate BAT Industries PLC, has set a target of \$1 billion total group exports within five years, compared with \$255 million in 1992-93.

The reforms made it possible for ITC to become the fourth Indian company to opt for a

# U.S. Says It Took A Strong Line in Japan Trade Talks

WASHINGTON — The United States took a tough stance in trade talks with Japan this week, warning Tokyo that dramatic action was vital to prevent a rupture in trans-Pacific ties, a U.S. official said Thursday.

The official said Japan seemed receptive to the strong U.S. tone in the discussions this week in Hawaii. But he speculated that Tokyo may have simply been tempering its behavior ahead of next week's meeting between President Bill Clinton and Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa.

Japanese officials refused to comment on the talks.

"The tone maintained was unambiguous and clear," the U.S. official said, speaking to journalists at a conference call from Hawaii on condition of anonymity. He said that talks in a follow-up session scheduled for early October in Tokyo "are going to be contentious, no question."

Separate talks on regulatory reform were scheduled for Washington next Thursday, and discussions on trade in automobiles and auto parts are continuing.

The main purpose of this week's talks, the official said, was "to act as the kickoff point for actual negotiations."

Mr. Clinton has accused Japan of running an economy that is still substantially closed to many foreign companies.

The two nations agreed in July to try to overhaul their economic relationship. This week's talks focused on opening up Japan's government procurement system, checking its compliance with past trade deals, liberalizing its insurance industry and opening its automobile and auto-parts markets to more imports.

# Japanese Limit Hiring of Young

TOKYO — Illustrating the weak state of the economy, a survey published Thursday indicated major Japanese companies planned to slash hiring of new graduates next year.

According to the survey in the Mainichi newspaper, 60 companies in leading industrial sectors said they would reduce overall hiring of new recruits by 41.9 percent in the business year beginning next April from the current business year.

Many companies have announced plans to cut their work forces through attrition and early retirement to get through Japan's worst recession in decades.

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Singapore Straits Times	2,800	+30	2,900	+20	3,000	1,500	+10	1,600	1,200	+10	1,300
Tokyo Nikkei 225	12,000	+100	12,100	+80	12,200	7,000	+50	7,100	6,000	+20	6,100
Hong Kong HSI	3,300	+120	3,420	+100	3,520	2,200	+20	2,300	1,800	+50	1,900
Singapore ST	2,800	+30	2,900	+20	3,000	1,500	+10	1,600	1,200	+10	1,300
Tokyo N225	12,000	+100	12,100	+80	12,200	7,000	+50	7,100	6,000	+20	6,100
Korea Composite	1,000	+20	1,020	+15	1,040	600	+10	620	500	+5	520
Philippines Composite	1,500	+10	1,520	+8	1,540	800	+5	820	700	+3	720
Malaysia Composite	1,200	+15	1,220	+12	1,240	600	+8	620	500	+4	520
Indonesia Composite	1,000	+10	1,020	+8	1,040	500	+5	520	400	+3	420
New Zealand NZSE-40	3,000	+50	3,050	+40	3,100	1,500	+20	1,550	1,000	+10	1,050
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# LVMH: Luxury-Goods Maker Faces Age of Austerity

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Mr. Massot, suggesting that consumers are realizing they have been paying "silly prices" for cognac in bars and that many would probably not come back, even when the economy improves.

"It's difficult to see how we will get back to the good old days," he said.

One way, Mr. Huel suggested, would be if the Chinese market continues to develop at its break-neck pace. Cognac sales in China doubled last year and continued to grow at the same rate in the first half of this year, he said.

In champagne, the root of the problem is different — a glut of supply that has forced smaller producers to sell off their inventories at reduced prices. This has produced a wide gap in the market, with many lesser-known brands selling for 60 francs to 80 francs a bottle while LVMH brands try desperately to hold on at premium prices of 120 francs to 140 francs — a range that has itself come down 10 percent to 20 percent over the past year.

France accounts for about two-thirds of champagne sales.

Meanwhile, LVMH faces stiff challenges in its other main product categories.

Its Louis Vuitton leather-goods business continues to grow — it was the only business showing a growth in operating earnings in the first half — but it is vulnerable in Japan, its most important market, because of currency fluctuations.

With the yen appreciating against the franc, Louis Vuitton cut

# GPA: Rescue Plan Cuts Plane Orders by \$7.7 Billion

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ereit if the company takes delivery of certain aircraft on which it retains options.

Also announced Thursday was a big drive in profit, underlining the cash problems that pushed GPA into a preliminary arrangement in May in which GE agreed to buy aircraft from GPA and acquire the right to a controlling stake in the company.

The deal is the product of more than a year of highly complex negotiations with banks, bondholders and corporate shareholders as well as aircraft manufacturers.

The rescue plan, which would cost up to \$737 million to implement, is to go to shareholders for approval at a special meeting on Oct. 18, GPA said.

GPA said it did not know until the last minute whether the rescue proposals would succeed because each group of creditors and manufacturers made consent conditional on GPA reaching agreement with all other groups.

The company, growing under debt of more than \$5 billion, also announced a big fall in operating profit for the year to March 31, to \$48 million from \$262 million. After accounting for special charges and provisions, there was a net loss of \$993 million, compared with earnings of \$249 million a year earlier.

The net worth of GPA, which in the 1980s was Ireland's most dazzling corporate success, has plummeted to \$234 million from \$1.23 billion, according to company data.

Under the refinancing deal, 138 creditor banks have agreed to defer

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For the awarding of the "PREPAID SYSTEM OF ADMISSION, CONTROL AND INFORMATION OF THE URBAN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE OF THE CITY OF ROSARIO, PROVINCE OF SANTA FE, ARGENTINE REPUBLIC" (SPACT).

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# SPORTS

## Giants 2 1/2 Games Out As Braves Lose to Expos

The Atlanta Braves' lead in the National League West was cut down by the Montreal Expos, but the Philadelphia Phillies made their magic number in the NL East a little smaller, although they had to go a little longer to do so.

The Expos, playing at home, rebounded from the previous night's 18-5 drubbing to beat Atlanta on Wednesday night and the Braves saw their lead in the NL West fall to 2 1/2 games as second-place San Francisco won in Houston.

The Phillies, who beat the Florida Marlins, 2-1, in 12 innings, maintained their 5 1/2-game lead over second-place Montreal in the East and reduced their magic number for winning the division to six.

"Any wins we can get right now put more pressure on Montreal," said Phillies reliever Roger Mason, the winner with 1 1/2 innings of two-hit relief. "We want to get as much momentum as possible going into postseason."

There wasn't much momentum shown against the Marlins, as the Phillies scored in the first and the visitors tied in the eighth. Both

teams flubbed scoring opportunities in the 10th and 11th before the Phillies finally won on Dave Hollins's bases-loaded single in the 12th.

"It was one of those nights where I was battling," Hollins said. "I didn't feel comfortable at the plate. But fortunately I got six chances to finally get it right."

Pinch-hitter Pete Incauviglia walked to open the bottom of the

### NL ROUNDUP

12th and went to third on a single by Lenny Dykstra. After Mickey Morandini was hit by a pitch, loading the bases, John Kruk struck out.

Then Hollins lined a single to right to score pinch-running Tony Lombrico.

"We had 11 hits and just one run, left 14 on base," Florida manager Rene Lachemann said. "We didn't execute when we had to. Dykstra came through again as usual."

Expos 6, Braves 1: Jeff Fassero struck out the Marlins, as the Phillies scored in the first and the visitors tied in the eighth. Both

The Expos stole four bases and each led to a run, starting with the first inning when Marquis Grissom led off with a single, advanced on a grounder and stole third. Rondell White blooped a single over a drawn-in infielder for the first run and he scored the second when Wil Cordero batted a double-play relay.

Giants 1, Astros 0: Billy Swift held the Astros to four hits in eight innings, striking out a career-high 10, as San Francisco won for the fifth time in six games.

The only run came in the seventh, on Kirt Manring's RBI double. His first hit in 12 at-bats was off Pete Harnisch, who struck out 10 and allowed seven hits in eight innings.

Cubs 11, Cardinals 9: Chicago ended its home season with Glenallen Hill hitting his eighth homer since joining the team in the trade with Cleveland on Aug. 20. His three-run shot came in the sixth, with the score 7-7.

Randy Myers pitched the ninth for his 49th save, a league record; St. Louis committed five errors, its most since 1989.

Mets 6, Pirates 5: New York won two in a row for the first time since Aug. 26-27 on Charlie O'Brien's two-run homer in the 10th in Pittsburgh.

Dodgers 3, Reds 1: Cincinnati, playing at home, lost its 12th in a row, its longest losing streak since 1945, after Rafael Bourquignon's two-run single for Los Angeles with the bases loaded in the fourth broke a 1-1 tie.

Rockies 11, Padres 4: Jerold Clark hit a three-run homer and drove in a career-high five runs as Colorado, at home, beat San Diego and tied the NL expansion record for victories, with 64.

## Bad Elbow Is the End, Ryan Says

SEATTLE — Nolan Ryan's 27-year major league career has apparently been ended by a torn ligament in his right elbow.

"It's got to be it," Ryan said. "There's no way I'll ever throw again. It's a hell of a way to end a career. This whole year has been a nightmare."

Baseball's strikeout king failed to retire a batter Wednesday night, walking four and allowing two hits, one a grand slam home run by Danny Howitt, the Texas Rangers trailed, 5-0, when he was relieved in the first inning, having thrown 28 pitches. The Mariners went on to win the game, 7-4.

When he came out, Ryan asked to be examined by a doctor. The Mariners' team physician, Larry Pedegana, said he suspected Ryan has a torn ulnar collateral ligament in his pitching elbow.

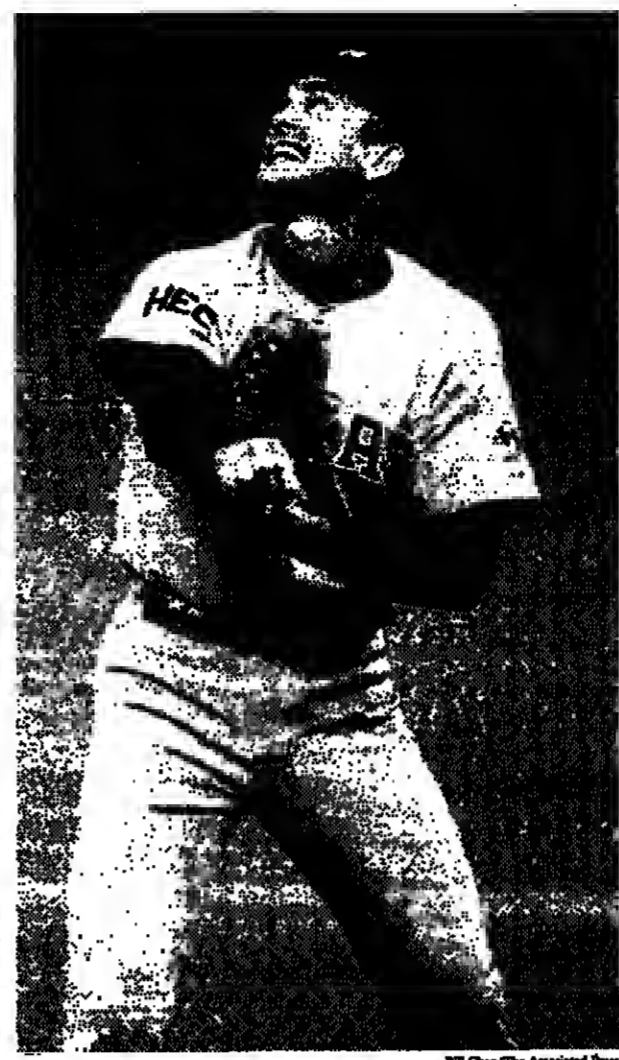
If the diagnosis is correct, Ryan won't be able to throw again this season, which he has said is his last.

Ryan's last road start was over while fans were still filling into the Kingdome. For only the third time in his career, he had failed to retire a batter.

After Howitt homered with the bases full, Ryan went to a 3-1 count on Dave Magadan and the Rangers' manager, Kevin Kennedy, made a pitching change.

On the disabled list 114 days this season because of injuries, Ryan, 46, entered the game with a 5-4 record and a 4.21 earned-run average.

He was making his 13th start of the year and was scheduled to



Ryan, the grand slam: "There's no way I'll ever throw again."

make two more, next Tuesday against Oakland and on Oct. 3 against Kansas City in the last game at Arlington Stadium.

Notable among Ryan's 53 major league records are seven no-hitters and 5,714 strikeouts. He won 21 games in 1973 and 22 in 1974. He set a major league record with 383 strikeouts in 1973 and had 367 in 1974, when he also posted three of his four 19-strikeout performances.

In 877 games over 5,387 innings, Ryan has 324 victories with a 3.19 earned-run average. He was on the way to win No. 292 after his start here.

## State Supreme Court Denies Tyson Appeal

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Supreme Court, by a 2-2 vote, has refused to consider the rape case that landed former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson in prison.

The justices issued a one-page order Wednesday that gave no reason for not reviewing an appeals court decision upholding Tyson's conviction and six-year sentence.

The five-member court was evenly divided because Chief Justice Randall Shepard withdrew from the case last year and didn't participate in the vote. Justices Richard Givan and Roger DeBruin voted against Tyson. Justices Brent Dickson and Jon Krabulik, who earlier announced he will resign next month, voted to hear the appeal.

The Rev. Charles Williams, who has visited Tyson frequently in prison, said Tyson apparently hadn't been informed of the decision until he spoke with him by telephone.

"He just digested what I told him and wanted to consult with his attorneys," Williams said. "There was no question that he was disappointed. He wanted to know what his options were and only his attorney could tell him that."

Court rules require a majority vote before a case can be heard. The U.S. Supreme Court is required to review criminal cases only when a prison sentence is 50 years or longer, or in death penalty cases.

Tyson's main lawyer, Alan Dershowitz, said "We will take whatever legal recourse is necessary to see that this injustice is finally brought to an end."

But Dershowitz did not refer to an earlier statement that he would take the case to the U.S. Supreme

Court if the Indiana high court refused to hear it.

"The only thing left for him to do is if he could find some constitutional issue — and there is none — and take it to the U.S. Supreme Court," said Greg Garrison, the prosecutor who won the 1992 conviction.

Krabulik told The Indianapolis Star that the key issue was whether the trial court abused its discretion by not allowing three defense witnesses to testify. He said he and Dickson think a new trial should be granted, primarily because the trial court judge did not allow the testimony.

He said "it is a fair statement" that the other two judges agreed with the earlier decision by the Indiana Court of Appeals to reject Tyson's appeal.

"It was well-argued and discussed by all of us," he said. "It was a very close issue."

Tyson is being held in the Indiana Youth Center, a state prison west of Indianapolis, for the 1991 attack on a Miss Black America pageant contestant.

The Appeals Court upheld Tyson's conviction on a 2-1 vote last month. The majority ruled that Marion Superior Court Judge Patricia J. Gifford acted correctly in preventing jurors from hearing testimony that might have shed doubts on Washington's credibility.

## Jays Gain on Rivals In Losing to Bosox

The Chicago White Sox picked a good night to win, the Toronto Blue Jays a good night to lose.

Despite a 7-5, 10-inning loss to Boston that stopped their nine-game winning streak, the Blue Jays didn't hurt themselves Wednesday night in the American League East race. In fact, they reduced their magic number for clinching the division title to six when the New York Yankees lost to Minnesota.

The Yankees remained five games back, while third-place Baltimore lost in Cleveland and stayed 5 1/2 out.

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The White Sox, meanwhile, didn't waste an opportunity to add onto their lead in the West. They beat California and reduced their magic number to six when Texas lost in Seattle.

"We didn't expect to win the last 20 games," the Blue Jays' Paul Molitor said in Toronto. "But I guess if you're going to lose, you might as well do it on a night when your competition loses, too."

Boston's Rob Deer homered on Mike Timlin's 1-2 pitch in the 10th after Mo Vaughn was safe on first baseman John Olerud's error.

Roberto Alomar had his game-winning double in the ninth for the Blue Jays.

Twins 5, Yankees 2: Pedro Munoz hit a three-run homer during Minnesota's four-run second in New York, and the fading Yankees lost for the 10th time in 15 games.

Munoz had homered twice and driven in five runs in Tuesday night's 5-4 victory.

Indians 4, Orioles 2: Pinch-hitter Candy Maldonado's two-run single in the seventh beat Baltimore.

The Orioles' loss wrapped up a 3-6 road trip, and they now return home for a season-ending, 10-game homestand that includes three games with the Yankees and four with the Blue Jays.

Ben McDonald limited the Indians to two runs and four hits until the seventh, when Mark Lewis singled and stole second and Sandy Alomar walked. A ground out advanced the runners, and Maldonado drove them both in with a single off Jim Poole.

The Orioles had tied the game at 2-2 on Brady Anderson's run-scoring double off Jeremy Hernandez in the seventh.

White Sox 1, Angels 0: Wilson Alvarez pitched a five-hitter for eight innings, extending his scoreless streak to a career-high 24 innings, and Robin Ventura drove in the only run with a sacrifice fly for visiting Chicago.

Alvarez struck out five and walked four in winning his sixth straight start. He beat fellow left-hander Chuck Finley, who gave up four hits and four walks in pitching his 12th complete game of the season.

Royals 3, Athletics 2: Kevin Kosloski, who entered the game as a defensive replacement, homered leading off the 10th to give Kansas City a victory in Oakland.

Craig Paquette's homer off Jeff Montgomery with two outs in the ninth had made it 2-2 after Dennis Eckersley blew his 10th save of the season in the top of the inning.

Tigers 8, Brewers 4: Chad Kreuter, Alan Trammell and Eric Davis all homered in a seven-run fifth as Detroit beat visiting Milwaukee.

## SCOREBOARD

### BASEBALL

#### Major League Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.
Toronto	87	64	.576
New York	80	74	.521
Baltimore	82	70	.539
Boston	78	74	.517
Detroit	78	73	.518
Cleveland	72	80	.477
Milwaukee	65	89	.422

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct.
Philadelphia	82	69	.542
Montreal	87	64	.576
St. Louis	82	70	.539
Chicago	79	74	.517
Pittsburgh	70	82	.461
Florida	62	89	.411
New York	65	86	.432

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Chicago	76	78	.493
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Philadelphia	67	87	.435
Pittsburgh	55	99	.352
San Francisco	50	104	.326
San Diego	48	106	.313
Los Angeles	46	108	.301
Arizona	45	109	.293
Florida	42	112	.273
Washington	40	114	.257
Colorado	36	118	.233
Cincinnati	35	119	.226
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## DENNIS THE MENACE



"At least he's not boring."

## PEANUTS



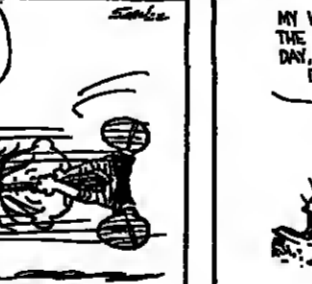
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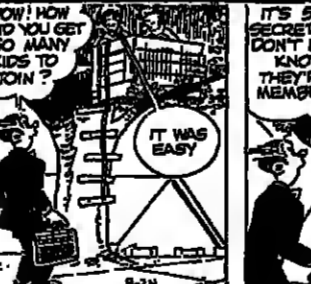
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# SPORTS

## In Beijing, a 'Victory' Quickly Turns Into a Shattering Loss

By Lena H. Sun  
Washington Post Service

BEIJING—For China's capital, it was perhaps the worst way to lose. It was just after 2:30 A.M. in the morning, and many residents here had waded up half the night to find out where they had won the right to play host to the 2000 Summer Olympics.

At the fancy convention center that was hosting the official Olympics gala, an audience of 1,000 Chinese watched as the live television broadcast from Monte Carlo showed IOC President Juan Antonio Samaranch starting to thank the five bidding cities. Proceeding in alphabetical order, he named Beijing first.

But that was the only English word most people in the audience understood. They mistakenly thought Beijing had won. The crowd, a group of selected guests from China's arts and sports world, erupted in shouts and cheers, drowning out Samaranch's announcement that Sydney, in fact, was the winner. Cheers were struck. Cymbals clanged, and actors began performing a traditional lion dance.

For several embarrassing minutes, Beijing television broadcast the scene home to millions of city residents. It was only after some of the guests realized what had really happened and stopped cheering that the television screen went momentarily blank. When the station came back on the air, the emcees were urging people to return to their seats, and sending well wishes to Sydney.

Similar misunderstandings took place all over the city. Some residents set off fireworks despite the order banning fireworks. At Beijing University, which was at the forefront of the prodemocracy protests in 1989, about 300 students who were watching television in one of the canteens burst into shouts of joy before one student explained that the winner was Sydney, not Beijing.

"We have tried everything," said one disappointed 19-year-old economic student. "The results are not important. It is all that we did that is the most important. We will get them next time."

In Tiananmen Square, one 18-year-old student from Sichuan province was crying uncontrollably,

and her classmates were unable to console her.

For China, the Games have been the government's prime public focus for months, with the leadership staking its credibility and reputation on winning its first-over bid. There were hints last week China might boycott the Games in Atlanta because of criticism from the United States over China's human rights record.

All over the city, residents had stayed up into the early hours of Friday to wait for the results. But as soon as news spread that Beijing lost, they turned off their television sets and went to bed. Police appeared on the streets. At Beijing University, uniformed police were videotaping the students watching in the canteen while undercover security officers with walkie talkies

patrolled the campus and questioned students who talked to foreigners.

Even though the city's official slogan is "A More Open China Welcomes the 2000 Olympics," authorities at Beijing University closed the campus gates at 8 P.M. and barred foreign reporters from watching the students watch television.

In the closing hours, it appeared that Beijing was the favored candidate, and people were in a festive and confident mood.

"I want to see Carl Lewis, I want to see Michael Jordan come here and play basketball," said Zheng Xiaoming, 35, owner of a small private restaurant in the city's Haidian district. "We always watch on television. I want to see the real

people. If the tickets are \$1,000 U.S. dollars, I'll still buy them."

From other cities, wire services reported:

Fireworks boomed over the harbor, champagne flowed and an ecstatic Sydney greeted the dawn Friday as an Olympic city.

"It is unreal," said Albina Yeghikyan, 19, while celebrating the International Olympic Committee's decision to award the 2000 Summer Games to the Australian city. "Sydney is the best city in the world. We are going to stage the best Olympics ever."

Two hours before dawn, an estimated 100,000 people flocked to Circular Quay on Sydney Harbor, where the first European settlers set foot in Australia 203 years ago. As the announcement was made on

giant TV screens, the spectators cheered wildly while, across the water, the white shells of the city's landmark opera house were illuminated by the five colors of the Olympic movement.

"The atmosphere is absolutely electric," said another Wayne Rosvall, 40, as fireworks exploded over the harbor. "It couldn't be better."

The jubilant scene was much the same at the main Olympic site in the suburb of Homebush, where 4,000 construction workers and children threw a huge party.

The celebrations had started several hours earlier with 45 pubs holding all-night parties.

In Manchester, about 15,000 people at a giant open-air party greeted their loss with stunned silence.

"This city really needed the

Olympics. I'm gutted," said 18-year-old Andrea Marland, wiping back a tear. "Many people didn't think we had a chance in the beginning, but tonight, with all the propaganda being put out, we all thought we had a brilliant chance."

But then bid officials bounced back with a pledge that the northern English city would like to try again for the 2004 Games.

"One day our dream will come true," said Francis Toms, her voice choking with emotion. "It doesn't mean this is the end. This is the start of phase two in Manchester's bid to be an Olympic city."

Exuberant crowds in Manchester had gathered with growing expectations as their city's fortunes seemed to have improved.

The atmosphere was electric when Samaranch opened the enve-

lope in Monte Carlo and his image was beamed on a giant television screen put up beside the Manchester Canal.

Then came the announcement, and the crowd, heaved a mass sigh of disappointment.

Said Richard Leese, a member of the city council. "We are sick as parrots. But whatever happened, Manchester wins as a city."

Opponents of Berlin's bid cheered wildly after the Games were awarded to Sydney.

About a thousand opponents of Berlin's bid broke into huge applause and cheers and dined together champagne glasses at a party in the eastern part of the city, where they watched the Monte Carlo announcement live on a huge screen. Other opponents cheered outside the party.

Brighte Schmitz, a member of the candidacy committee, said: "We did everything we could, but we had no chance in the IOC."

Many in a crowd at the Brandenburg Gate were in a festive mood, and didn't seem particularly crushed by the awarding of the Games to Sydney.

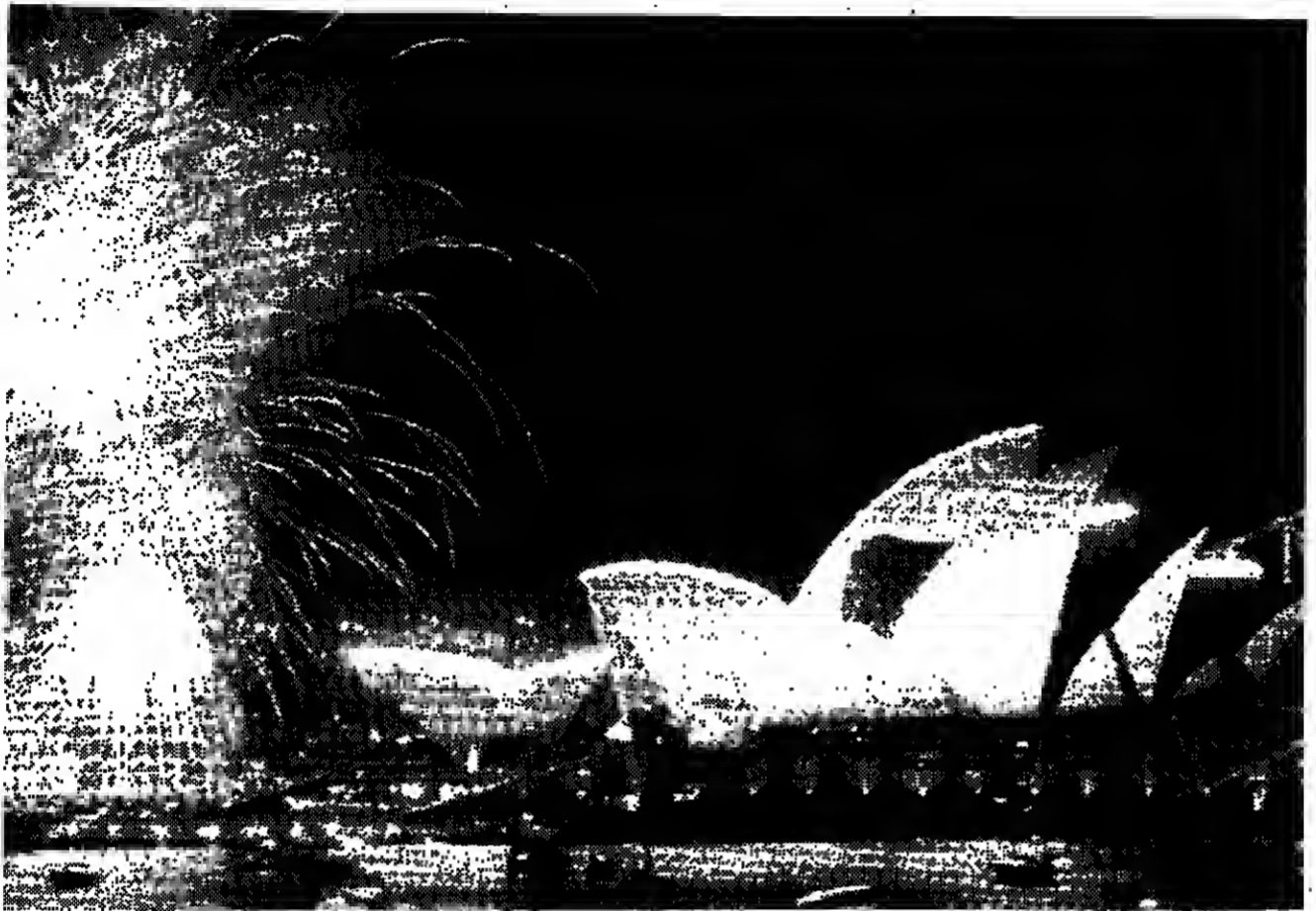
In Istanbul, that city's loss seemed to bring few surprises.

"I knew it all along," said Mehmet Unler, a businessman. "I just heard about it and am not surprised at all."

"How could we have gotten it with all this confusion around?" he said, pointing to the chaotic traffic.

"Do you think they'd give it to us? No chance," said a fish vendor named Halim Uzul.

(AP, Reuters, AFP)



In Sydney, the skyline and the opera house were set alight by the fireworks of celebration as the announcement was made in Monte Carlo.

## Sydney Already Well Prepared

International Herald Tribune  
Sydney's \$210-million Olympic park is already under construction, and was to be built regardless of whether the city got the 2000 Summer Games. In addition, 70 percent of the facilities needed to host the Olympics already exist or are nearing completion.

The park, 8.5 miles (13.7-kilometers) from the city center, will house an international athletics center, a center for aquatic sports and facilities for other sports.

The 1,600-acre (647.5-hectare) park will accommodate 14 of the 25 Olympic sports, while most of the other events will be within easy reach at the city's spectacular harbor, at the foot of the Blue Mountains or at Darling Bay. The yachting events, along an accessible and craggy coastline, have never before had such a perfect natural theater.

One of the city's biggest boasts is a central location for housing 15,000 athletes and team officials, none of whom will be more than 30 minutes from sporting venues or 45 minutes from training sites. About three-quarters of the athletes will be able to walk to their venues, officials promise. The Olympic park will be connected to Sydney harbor by train and high-speed catamaran boats.

In addition, 85 percent of the hotel and other lodging places for visitors will be within one hour's travel of the Olympic park. Sydney already has twice as many hotel rooms available as there were in Barcelona when it hosted the 1992 Olympics. The city has a formal agreement with the hotel and motel industry for the supply and pricing of rooms.

The Australian authorities have emphasized environmental friendliness. Greenpeace was one of the finalists in the design competition for the creation of the Olympic site. The guidelines for the competition included attention to global warm-

ing, ozone depletion, protecting species, pollution and resource depletion.

In the athletes' villages, all buildings will have solar power and water recycling, and the management will use electronic mail to reduce paper requirements. The sporting facilities will be built of recyclable materials, with energy-saving systems and water recycling.

Sydney has promised to meet the entire \$20 million cost of round-trip airfares for all 15,000 competitors and officials, as well as the cost of bringing in such freight as yachts, horses, sculls and canoes.

## OLYMPICS: Sydney Is Chosen

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wear T-shirts denouncing Beijing's candidacy while, in an off-repeated scene, police officers took into custody a young couple who had unfurled an anti-Berlin banner near the international media center.

The IOC's decision to back away from a quantum political leap came at a great cost: Its corporate sponsors, who with television networks effectively funded the Olympic movement, would have had first claim at selling their products and services to the world's most populous country. The result might also damage Mr. Samaranch's reported aspirations of winning the Nobel Peace Prize. Had China won, Beijing promised, the names of the IOC membership would have been immortalized on the Great Wall.

"It was impossible for the IOC to ignore China's egregious human rights record," said Richard Dicker of the U.S.-based Human Rights Watch.

Beijing earned 32 votes in the opening round, followed by Sydney with 30, Manchester with 11 and Berlin with 9. Because the standings remained secret—a change in IOC policy—voters had little choice but to stick with their first choice until it was eliminated.

Istanbul, like China making its first Olympic bid, was the first to be knocked out. Apparently 5 of its 7 votes swung to Beijing.

The second round saw the elimination of Berlin, whose bid was crippled by memories of Hitler's 1936 Olympics and claims that Germany was already overwhelmed by reunification. Most of Berlin's 9 votes went to Sydney, as did the 11 it freed up when Manchester was eliminated in the third round.

China made a series of impressive promises in its formal presentation on Thursday, vowing to improve technologically and environmentally. By 2000, Beijing promised, the smog would be cleared as the city shifted from coal to natural gas. Water-purification plants would be built and the city's industrial area would be transformed into a landscape 40 percent green.

Implicit in China's promise was the assurance that the IOC would receive much of the credit. Though Beijing was the obvious leader, its democratic rivals chose not to raise the issue of China's record on human rights. Australia was making its third successive bid. Brisbane and Melbourne having failed to win the 1992 and 1996 Olympics. The Games have only been held previously in Australia at Melbourne in 1956.

Sydney emphasized the beauty of its harbor, the diversity of Australia's 140 ethnic cultures and the compactness of its Games, assuring that all athletes and officials would be housed in the same river-side village. Its bid was supported by Greenpeace and other environmental organizations. Sydney will hold the Olympics in the final two weeks of September, its driest month.

Many believed that Britain might have moved ahead of Australia based on the persuasive speech of Prime Minister John Major of Britain and the impassioned plea of the Manchester director, Bob Scott, who came closest to conquering Beijing.

"Of each city you must ask yourself, will the Olympic Games be safe in their hands?" said Mr. Scott. "Will the Olympic Games shine in that city?"

By a measure of two votes, the IOC put its trust in Sydney.

## A Ryder Cup Full of Spice

By Leonard Shapiro  
Washington Post Service

SUTTON COLDFIELD, England—A delicious dollop of controversy was on the Ryder Cup menu Thursday, the day before the first two rounds of matches began between the elite 12-man teams of American and European players. And it added a pinch of spice to an already contentious competition that most of the participants regard as the fifth major championship of golf.

Tom Watson, the U.S. captain, started it at a black-tie dinner Wednesday night for 800 honoring the two teams, when he asked his players not to sign any autographs and personally told Scotland's Sam Torrance, playing in his seventh Ryder Cup, that he would follow the same policy and not sign Torrance's menu.

"I guess I started a little bit of a flap," Watson volunteered this morning as he headed onto the course to watch his team's final practice rounds. "We had decided not to sign autographs, but people kept crowding around the table, people in taxis. It was a feeding frenzy. I wanted them," the players, "to be relaxed and enjoy themselves."

"I told Sam we'd be happy to sign anything, just collect the menus and we'll take them to the team room and do it there. I guess I got a few people upset."

Torrance said Thursday morning he was "too angry to talk about it. I'll show them tomorrow how I feel. It's simply added more fuel."

Watson issued a formal apology to Torrance and the European team. "I apologize for any bad feelings I may have created over this," he said. "I thought last night with 800 people there, if we started signing autographs, it would spoil the event, spoil the evening for my players."

Later he said, "Maybe I'm talking

this too personally, but I'm really upset."

The European team's captain, Bernard Gallacher, insisted he considered the banquet faux pas a "small incident." Sam was a little embarrassed. If this is the worst incident, I'll be happy. Tom has already apologized profusely. As far as our European team is concerned, it shouldn't be blown up. Tom has said it's a misjudgment. I accept that."

Later in the day, Torrance apparently had, too. "Oh no, it's nothing at all. It was no problem," he insisted. "He was looking after his team. He's being a good captain."

All of this will start to be settled Friday morning on the golf course when the first of the four alternate-shot matches will be contested over the 7,177-yard (6,562-meter), par-72 Brazazon course that has been used for two previous Ryder Cup matches and has now been kind to the American side.

Both teams will trot out their strongest players in the morning. The first match will pair Watkins and Corey Pavin against Torrance and England's Mark James. PGA champion Paul Azinger and his pal Payne Stewart will take on Ian Woosnam and Langer, the Masters champion; Tom Kite and Ryder Cup rookie Davis Love will team against Spain's formidable Seve Ballesteros and José María Olazábal, with a best-ever 9½ Ryder record as a team; and Floyd and Fred Couples will take on Faldo and Soodland's Colin Montgomerie.

The Americans will leave U.S. Open champion Lee Janzen on the sidelines in the morning, along with John Cook, Jim Gallagher and Chip Beck. The Europeans will go without Barry Lane, Constantino Rocca, Peter Baker and Joakim Haeggman, all first-time participants. Both captains will determine their afternoon lineups following the

morning matches, though many of the same players are expected to participate in the four best-ball matches.

"This is probably the easiest decision to make," Watson said of his pairings. "We haven't seen the players under the heat yet. It's such a quick and short match over three days, you go with the players who are playing best. Both teams have done exactly the same thing. The strongest teams are together in the first matches."

They are not playing on a particularly challenging golf course, one that may be the most American-style, manicured layout in all of England. Floyd said the place reminded him of many courses he's seen in the Midwest and "that's gonna make for a lot of birdies."

Heavy rain over the last 10 days has made fairways and greens soft, taking away the roll but making plus easy targets. The rough is essentially nonexistent.

The most intriguing holes are the 10th and 18th. On No. 10, a 267-yard par 4, players can either lay up with a short iron or risk going for a green protected by water in front. In practice rounds, most have aimed for the green, and decisions over the next three days will be dictated by conditions and the standings of the matches.

The 18th is a brutish 474-yard par 4, with a tee shot through a chine of trees toward a hole that doglegs right to left, with trouble all around. There is water down the left side all the way to the green, with a bunker on the right 270 yards from the tee. The ideal shot is down the left side, but most players will be forced to use a middle-iron to get home to a massive 60-yard three-tiered green.

This is not the sort of hole anyone wants to face in this sort of pressure-packed competition, not with a match, not to mention pride and country, on the line.



Seve Ballesteros could have teamed up with himself as he crossed a bridge at the Belfry.

## SIDELINES

### FIFA, UEFA Meeting on Marseille

ZURICH (AP)—The heads of the governing bodies for international and European soccer will meet Monday to discuss the possibility of further sanctions against Olympique Marseille.

FIFA said Thursday its president, Jöel Havelange, and its general secretary, Sepp Blatter, will meet Monday with their counterparts from UEFA, Lennart Johansson and Gerard Aiguer. "To discuss the international consequences of the decision made by the French Football Federation" against the scandal-ridden Marseille team.

The federations stripped Marseille on Wednesday of its 1993 French league title, barred the team's former general manager, Jean-Pierre Bernes, indefinitely from the sport and suspended three players accused of match rigging.

### For the Record

Mike Stoeck, the U.S. shot-putter facing a lifetime ban after testing positive for anabolic steroids, denied taking the banned substances and said he will appeal for reinstatement.

The 1993 LPGA Matchplay Championship, which was to feature 32 of the LPGA's and the Japan LPGA's best golfers, was canceled when the main sponsor withdrew, officials said in Honolulu.

### Quotable

Kirby Puckett of the Minnesota Twins, on home life with his wife, Tonya: "Catfish is my usual contribution if Tonya asks me to cook. Unfortunately, she doesn't like fried catfish, but I think of that as her problem."

## Coutts Regains Yacht Lead As Holmberg Upsets Baird

PERTH, Australia—Defending Russell Coutts of New Zealand regained the lead Thursday in near-perfect conditions on day three of the world match racing yachting championship.

With 11 victories from 14 races, Coutts took over when he beat Bertrand Pace by just one second after trailing the Frenchman down the final leg of the course in a race where the lead changed several times.

The third day of the championship also produced an upset when 10th-placed Magnus Holmberg of Sweden beat the overnight leader, Ed Baird of the United States, on the Swan River course.

Baird fell back to second place with 10 victories, ahead of England's Eddie Warden-Owen with nine.

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OBSERVER

Searching for Mediocrity

By Russell Baker
NEW YORK — Everybody talks about diversity, but what do we know about it except that it's good? That's why President Clinton wants a government made up of people as diverse as the United States...

leaves himself open to the suspicion that he still clings to the discredited belief in "excellence."
The worship of "excellence" began even before Hruska was humiliated by urging diversity in government. It was an idea sold by Admiral Hymans Rickover after Soviet scientists put a satellite in Earth orbit ahead of the United States...

New Version: A 'Streetcar' Named Entire

By Kenneth Turan
LOS ANGELES — Of the great American films — and make no mistake, it belongs in that group — "A Streetcar Named Desire" remains one of the most misunderstood, underappreciated and surprisingly forgotten. All that, however, is about to change.
Released to great acclaim in 1951, nominated for a dozen Oscars and winner of four, including acting awards for Vivien Leigh, Kim Hunter and Karl Malden, this Elia Kazan-directed version of Tennessee Williams's Pulitzer Prize-winning play has been seriously slighted in the intervening years...



Marlon Brando and Vivien Leigh in "A Streetcar Named Desire."

that all the members of the cast (with the exception of Leigh, who replaced Jessica Tandy because producer Charles K. Feldman felt at least one star name was essential) were in the original cast when the play opened on Broadway in December of 1947.
Kazan was the original director as well, and one of the prime movers behind getting the 24-year-old Brando, who only three years before had played a 14-year-old in the stage version of "I Remember Mama," to take on the part of Stanley Kowalski on Broadway after both John Garfield and Burt Lancaster had been considered for it.

in the film, it is after Blanche tells him off because he's "weak."
The biggest problem involved the play's pivotal moment, the rape of Blanche by Stanley. Rape of any kind was frowned on by the code, and the case in "Streetcar," which Breen described as "both justified and unpunished," was especially objectionable. But here Kazan and Williams, who also wrote the screenplay with adapter Oscar Saul, drew the line, saying it was not possible to eliminate the rape and do the picture.
As Williams wrote to Breen in an eloquent, impassioned letter, their feeling was that "the rape of Blanche by Stanley is a pivotal, integral truth in the play, without which the play loses its meaning, which is the ravishment of the tender, the sensitive, the delicate, by the savage and brutal forces of modern society."

PEOPLE

Roseanne Arnold Takes Some Fat Jokes in Stride

Roseanne Arnold was roasted by the Friars Club in Los Angeles and, guess what, they made fun of her weight. She and husband Tom Arnold, no string bean himself, laughed a lot, even when the comedian George Wallace set the tone by explaining why Arnold did not attend the ceremony where she won a best actress award: "Roseanne wasn't at the Emmys because she heard they were having an all-you-can-eat buffet at Denny's."
In St. Paul, Minnesota, Garrison Kellor kept his barb gentle when he faced an auditorium full of editors — not his heroes. Speaking to an Associated Press convention, the 51-year-old humorist said: "My only real interest in newspaper work, I discovered in six months, was the chance to stay up late at night, and the chance to hang around with old reporters and try to smoke cigarettes and drink whiskey as expertly as they did."
Geneva's Grand Théâtre has named the French former singer Renée Aubrey, 52, as its new director. She currently heads the Lausanne Opera and will take over in Geneva in 1995 when Hugues Gall leaves Geneva to become head of the Paris Opera.
General Colin Powell, retiring chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, won the 1993 Ronald Reagan Freedom Award in Los Angeles.
Elizabeth Taylor, in Toronto to launch a new perfume, was in blunt mode: "I'm sorry I'm late, but I was skinny and punctual, what would you have to talk about?" When someone asked whether, after eight marriages, she had any advice to share with a newlywed, she said, "Silly girl!"
Audrey Hepburn, who died in January, is being honored with a statue in Arnhem, the Netherlands, where she spent her wartime childhood. A bronze bust will be erected there in January.

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